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Note—Since Conference, Rev. H. F. Spencer has been transferred and stationed at Elmyra, New York. Rev. Geo. S. Hickey, late of California, has been transferred to this Conference and stationed at Albion.



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CONFERENCE RULES OF ORDERS.

Rule 1st. The Conference shall meet at 8:30 A. M., and adjourn at 12 M., but may alter Rule 1st. The Conference shall meet at 8:30 A. M., and adjourn at 12 M., but may alter the time of meeting and adjournment at their discretion, and provided also that on the second day of the Annual Session the Conference shall be adjourned by the expiration of time at 10 A. M.

2. The President shall take the chair precisely at the hour to which the Conference stood adjourned, and cause the same to be opened by reading the Scriptures, singing and prayer, and shall have the journal of the preceding day read and approved.

3. The President shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Conference, but in case of an appeal, the question shall be taken without debate.

4. He shall appoint all Committees not otherwise ordered by the Conference, but any member may decline serving on more than one committee at the same time.

5. All motions and resolutions incroduced by any member shall be reduced to writing, if the President, Secretary, or any other member request it.

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6. When a motion, resolution, or report presented is read by the Secretary, or stated by the President, it shall be deemed as in possession of the Conference, but any motion or resolution may be withdrawn by the mover at any time before the decision or amendment.

7. No new motion or resolution shall be made until the one under consideration is disposed of, which may be does by adoption or rejection, unless one of the following should intervence, which motions by the precedence in the order in which they are named, viz.:

The previous question are precedence in the order in which they are named, viz.:

8. No member shall be interrupted while speaking, except by the President to call him to order when he departs from the question, uses personalities or disrespectful language, but any member may call the attention of the President to the subject when he deems a speaker out of order, or any other member may evaluin when he thinks himself misrepre-

speaker out of order, or any other member may explain when he thinks himself misrepresented

When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Conference, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address himself to the President.

No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject, or more than fifteen or statil every member choosing to speak, shall have spoken.

D. Whenever any motion on resolutions. minutes at one time, without leave of the Conference; nor shall any person speak more than

Whenever any motion or resolution shall have passed, it shall be in order for any memoer who voted in the affirmative to move a reconsideration.

12. No member shall absent himself from the services of the Conference without leave, unless he is sick or unable to attend,

No member shall be allowed to vote on any question who is not within the bar at the time when said question is put by the President, except by leave of the Conference, or when such member has been necessarily absent.

14. Every member has been necessarily absent.

14. Every member who shall be within the war, at the time the question is put, shall give his vote, unless the Conference for special reasons, excuse him.

15. No motion shall be considered unless seconded.

16. The Secretary shall keep a journal of the proceedings of the Conference, and when approved shall record them in a book provided for that purpose. He shall have charge of the Jonraal and other papers of the Conference, and preserve them with care, suffer no person to take a copy of any paper during the interval of Conference, except with the consent of the Conference, and shall forward the journal and papers to the next Annual Conference. ference

17. A motion to adjourn shall be in order at any time, and shall be decided without debate.

18. All committees whose reports are to be printed in the Minutes shall present their reports in duplicate, one copy for the Conference, and another for the Committee on Publication of the Minutes, otherwise the Committee on Publication are not required to insert such reports in the Minutes

19. All persons, while passing the disciplinary course of study, who shall be reported below the medium, shall be required to pass another examination on the studies so reported; and the chairman of examining committees shall give notice to the Conference Secretary

and to the deficient party.

20. A member of the Conference accused of offenses against the law and discipline of the Church is entitled to a copy of the charges and specifications to be relied on for the prosecution of the complaint, together with a notice of the time when the accused will be called upon to answer said charges and specifications. A failure to serve a copy of said charges and specifications a reasonable length of time before the same shall be presented for adjudication, must be satisfactorily explained by the prosecution before the trial can proceed.

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ASSISTANT STATISTICAL SECRETARIES, LEVI MASTERS, M. D. CARRELL, A. J. WHEELER.

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COMMETEES OF EXAMINATION.

To examine Candidates for Admission on Trial—N. M. Steele, Wm. M. Coplin, N. Bray.

First Year-E. L. Kellogg, W. M. Colby, H. H. Parker.

Second Year—G. W. Gosling, J. P. Force, G. L. Haight.

Third Year-W. Doust, W. Barrett, W. R. Stinchcomb.

Fourth Year-A. J. Eldred, A. A. Knappen, A. H. Gillet

To. Examine Local Preachers for Deacon's Orders—W. J. Swift, W. H. Ware, W. L. Tilden.

To Examine Local Deacons for Elder's Orders—L. P. Ferguson, John Clubine, E. H. Mechesney.

To Preach the Annual Missionary Sermon—J. M. Reid; Alternate, John Graham.

STANDING COMMITTEES FOR 1879.

Board of Stewards—T. H. Jacokes, H. D. Jordan, L. W. Earl, G. C. Elliott, J. A. Sprague, A. D. Newton, Geo. L. Mount, Geo. S. Hicks.

Church Extension—J. I. Buell, L. M. Edmonds, I. B. Tallman, A. L. Crittenden.

Freedman's Aid-J. W. Robinson, I. R. A. Wightman, W. A. Hunsberger, G. W. Gosling.

Periodicals-J. H. Potts, J. Hamilton, J. K. Stark, J. Boynton.

Sanctity of the Sabbath—L. Masters, N. D. Marsh, Geo. L. Cole, W. M. Coplin.

Public Worship—Presiding Elder and Pastor at the seat of the next Annual Conference

Publication of the Minutes-Conference Secretaries.

Book Concern Accounts-A. T. Gray, J. M Aikin, S. C. Woodard, O.

E. Wightman, D. O. Ball, J. H. Thomas, J. A. Bready, N. L. Brockway J. W. White.

Education—D. F. Barnes, C. C. Olds, M. W. Darling, J. W. H. Carlisle, Mission Auditing—L. Graham, W. M. Colby, A. J. Wheeler, H. H. Parker.

Temperance—H. M. Joy, Geo Donaldson, S. M. Merritt, E. A. Whitwam. Sunday Schools and Tracts—A. H. Gillet, James M. Robinson, W. H. Ware, G. W. Tuthill.

State of the Church -T. F. Hildreth, C. L. Barnhart, G. D. Lee, S. L. Hamilton.

Bible Cause - A. J. Eldred, E. Marble, A. E. Ketchum, A. J. White.

Missions-The Presiding Elders.

Memoirs—W. H. Brockway, E. Cooley, H. Worthington, V. G. Boynton. Post Offices—W. L. Tilden.

Delegates to Fraternal Bodies—The Pastors in localities where such bodies convene.

Triers of Appeals—Thos. H. Jacokes, H. C. Peck, W. Doust, W. H. Perrine, H. Hall, H. M. Joy, G. S. Barnes.

Statistical Secretary—B. S. Mills.

Assistants-M. D. Carrell, A. J. Wheeler, D. C. Riehl.

District Statisticians—Albion, A. M. Gould; Coldwater, W. M. Ball; Kalamazoo, L. W. Calkins; Niles, J. N. Dayton; Grand Rapids, E. Wigle; Ionia, J. W. Hallenbeck; Lansing, J. Gulick; Big Rapids, E. S. Holm; Grand Traverse, M. M. Callen.

Conference Relations—H. Hall, C. C. Olds, H. P. Henderson, D. Engle, G. C. Elliott, G. L. Haight, W. Doust, W. Barrett, G. S. Hicks.

Visitors to Albion College--Marcellus W. Darling, Amos W. Gould and C. L. Barnhart.

Visitors to North Western University and Garrett Biblical Institute— C. C. Olds and Levi Masters.



JOURNAL OF THE SESSION.

FIRST DAY.

THREE RIVERS, Mich. Sept. 4, 1878.

The Michigan Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, commenced its Forty third Session in the M. E. Church, at Three Rivers, Michigan, Sept. 4, 1878, at 9 o'clock A. M., Bishop Jesse T. Peck in the chair.

After reading the 4th chapter of 2nd Cor., the hymn beginning And Are We Yet Alive" was sung, and the Bishop offered prayer. Some further devotional exercises followed. The roll of the Conference was called by the Secretary of the last session, and 136 members answered to their names. Four were reported deceased, viz.: T. Cleghorn, F. M. Deitz, G. A. Phillips and S. S. Wilson, L. H. Pearce was reported as transferred to the Virginia Conference.

On motion, A. R. Boggs was re-elected Secretary by acclamation. H. M. Joy and W. I Cogshall were chosen Assistants; M. I. Smith Recording Secretary, and B. S. Mills, Statistical Secretary.

The rules of the last Conference were adopted for the government of this session.

By request of the Bishop, the Conference ordered a Committee on Conference Relations, to which should be referred the lists of Superannuates and Supernumeraries, and all others where a change of relation may be desired. The Committee was constituted as follows: H. Hall, J. I. Buell, H. P. Henderson, H. M. Joy, D. F. Barnes, E. Cooley, jr., W. Doust, W. H. Ware and W. R. Stinchcomb.

The list of nominations for Standing Committees was called, amended and adopted, as follows:

Board of Stewards-T. H. Jacokes, G. L. Haight, L. W. Earl,

G. C. Elliott, J. A. Sprague, A. D. Newton, G. L. Mount, G. S. Hicks.

Committee on Church Extension—H. C. Peck, D. Engle, W. M. Ball.

Committee on Periodicals—F. D. Hemenway, J. W. Hallenbeck, Isaiah Wilson.

Committee on Sanctity of the Sabbath—N. L. Brockway, S. L. Hamilton, N. Fassett

Committee on Public Worship—Presiding Elder and Pastor at the Seat of Conference.

Committee on Publication of Minutes—The Conference Secretaries.

Committee on Book Concern Accounts—G. L. Cole, E. D. Young, J. White, G. W. Gosling, D. O. Ball, W. Riley, W. H. Ware, D. R. Latham, E. A. Tanner.

Committee on Education—A. A. Knappen, W. H. Perrine, James Hamilton, A. A. Rolfe, A. H. Gillet.

Mission Auditing Committee—J. E. White J. W. H. Carlisle, N. Saunders

Committee on Temperance—T. F. Hildreth, L. Tarr, J. W. Hallenbeck.

Committee on Sunday Schools and Tracts—S. L. Hamilton, L. Masters, D. C. Woodard.

Committee on State of the Church—D. F. Barnes, J. I. Buell, J. R. Cadwell.

Committee on Bible Cause—C. C. Olds, G. W. Sherman, E. Marble.

Committee on Missions-The Presiding Elders.

Committee on Memoirs—W. H. Brockway, II F. Spencer, H. C. Peck.

Committee on Post Offices—W. L. Tilden.

Delegates to Fraternal Bodies—Pastors where such Bodies convene.

Statistical Secretary—B. S. Mills.

Assistants-Levi Masters, M. D. Carrell, A. J. Wheeler.

Conference Trustee-D. D. Gillet.

District Statisticians—A. M. Gould, A. H. Gillet, L. W. Calkins, J. N. Dayton, C. L. Barnhart, J. W. Hallenbeck, J. M. Aikin, M. M. Callen.

Conference Treasurer-J. W. Reed.

Assistants—A. A. Knappen, N. Saunders, J. C. Floyd. Book Keeper—I. R. A. Wightman.

A report was presented from the Agents of the Book Concern, apportioning the sum of \$810 to this Conference for the support of the Bishops, which was referred to the Board of Presiding Elders, for apportionment to the several Districts.

SECOND DAY

THREE RIVERS, Mich., Sept. 5, 1878.

The Conference met at 8:30 A. M., Bishop Peck in the chair. Religious exercises were conducted by H. C. Peck.

The list of absentees was called, and twenty-one answered to their names.

The Presiding Elder of Albion District requested the appointment of a Committee on Olivet Church; and the committee was constituted as follows: C. C. Olds, A. R. Boggs, D. F. Barnes, A. Hunsberger and J. W. Reed.

L. R. Atwater, of Grand Rapids, was by vote placed upon the Board of Stewards, and G. S. Clapp, of St. Joseph, upon the Committee on Education.

The Secretaries were authorized to edit the Minutes at their discretion.

Rev. G. M. Tuthill, Superintendent of the American Bible Society, was introduced, and briefly addressed the Conference upon the interests of that society.

The following brethren were also introduced: R. B. Pope, of the Detroit Conference; C. B. Holding, of the Southern Illinois Conference; J. C. Cooper, of North Indiana Conference, and H. Skewes, of the Utah Conference

THIRD DAY.

THREE RIVERS, Mich., Sept. 6. 1878.

Conference convened at 8:39 A. M., Bishop Peck in the chair. Devotional exercises were conducted by T. H. Jacokes, and the minutes of the last session were read and approved.

Rev. H. Skewes, of Ogden, Utah, addressed the Conference concerning his work, and appealed for help to pay indebtedness upon church property at that place, and \$100 was given by the members of the Conference.

On motion of A, Hunsberger, a special committee upon the

Marshall Church was constituted as follows: J. M Reid, W. H. Perrine, H. M. Joy and T. F. Hildreth.

At the suggestion of the Bishop, the Conference appointed J. M. Reid and W. H. Brockway a committee to wait upon and introduce fraternal delegates.

P. E. Deal, of Niles District, and P. H. Crippen, of Coldwater District, were assigned to the Board of Stewards.

The candidates for admission to full connection were called forward and most impressively addressed by the Bishop, and the usual disciplinary questions were asked and satisfactorily answered. They were admitted to full connection, and elected to Deacon's Orders.

The reception of fraternal delegates having been made the order of the day at this hour, the special order was called. S. Grosenbaugh, of the Reformed Church of Three Rivers, and A. McLaughlin of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Three Rivers, were introduced by the Committee through the Bishop, and they briefly addressed the Conference, expressing pleasure at the manifest unity of all Evangelical Christian Bodies.

Rev. Mr. Stevens, of the Presbyterian Church, was also introduced, after which the following resolution was passed.

Resolved, That we have heard with pleasure the communications made to us by Rev. Mr. Grosenbaugh and Rev. Mr. McLaughlin, and that we will be most happy to reciprocate by sending fraternal delegates to the ecclesiastical bodies represented by these brethren if so desired.

J. M. REID,

A. R. BOGGS.

Rev. L. R. Fisk presented the report of the Trustees of Albion College, which was referred to the Committee on Education.

The following persons were appointed a Committee on Nominations, viz.: W. H. Perrine, C. C. Olds, H. P. Henderson, G. S. Barnes, Levi Masters, G. L. Haight, W. Doust. W. H. Ware, W. L. Tilden.

H. M. Joy was excused from the Committee on Sunday Schools and Tracts, and S. L. Hamilton was appointed to fill the vacancy.

The Bishop announced that the Conference was authorized to draw upon the Chartered Fund for \$30.00, and such draft was ordered.

FOURTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

THREE RIVERS, Mich., Sept. 7, 1878.

Conference met at 8:30 A. M, Bishop Peck in the chair. Devotional exercises were conducted by S. Steele. The minutes of the last session were read and approved.

II. N. Hall was granted a location at his own request. John T. Glover, who was on trial in the Conference, was discontinued.

The Conference Treasurer was instructed to draw on the Treasurer of the Preachers Savings Fund Society for \$26.50 from the Parkhurst Fund. The Methodist Publishing Company presented a draft of \$25.00 to the fund for Conference Claimants, for which the thanks of the Conference were voted.

The credentials of A. C. Wheeler, a local preacher, were restored.

Jas. W. Springstein, a probationer, was discontinued.

The following were elected Local Deacons, viz.: Wm. Taylor, James Berry, Frank L. McCoy, C. B. Voorheis, H. R. Hawley, Wm. H. Burkholder, James A. Weyant, O. J. Golden.

The following were elected Local Elders, viz.: Lewis Johnson, Wm. L. Jakways, Sanford Snyder.

The Bishop presented the Annual Report of Garrett Biblical Institute and F. D. Hemenway addressed the Conference, urging that a collection should be taken in every charge of the Conference, for the support of the Institute.

The Conference, by Resolution, pledged itself to take collections for that purpose on the third Sabbath in November, or as soon thereafter as convenient.

The Special Committees in the cases of the Marshall and Olivet churches presented a report which was adopted. (See Reports.)

A collection of \$20.00 was taken to pay a small balance of indebtedness to J. M. Arnold, and also for Conference expenses.

The question of the seat of the next Conference was referred to the Presiding Elders, with power to fix the same.

The Statistical Secretary presented a report in general summary. (See Statistical Tables.)

A session of Conference was ordered for the afternoon, and J. M. Reid was appointed to preside at the same.

Samuel Johnson, a layman from Niles District, was placed upon the Board of Stewards.

J. A. Van Fleet, having failed to go to his appointment, asked for an investigation of his conduct therein. He was made supernumerary without the passage of character, and his case was referred to the Presiding Elder of Grand Rapids District, for investigation in the interim of Conference.

FOURTH DAY-AFTERNOON SESSION.

THREE RIVERS, Mich., Sept. 7, 1878.

Conference met at 2 P. M., J. M. Reid in the chair. E. H. Day conducted devotional exercises.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved. J. W. Reed was nominated for Conference Treasurer, and, together with his assistants, was tendered a vote of thanks for the efficient manner in which they had discharged their duties.

The special Committee in the case of Rev. F. M. Deitz, deceased, presented a report which was adopted.

- B. S. Mills and A. R. Boggs were appointed a committee to revise the form of our Statistical Tables, and to prepare blanks for use next year.
- A. M. Gould and J. W. Hallenbeck were elected Assistant Secretaries.

The Committee on Church Extension presented a report, which, together with proposed amendments was referred to a Select Committee consisting of D. D. Gillett, J. Boynton and W. H. Brockway, with instructions to report. This committee subsequently presented a report, which was adopted. (See Reports.)

- N. L. Brockway, from the Committee on Sanctity of the Sabbath, reported, and the same was adopted.
- V. G. Boynton, from the Committee on Freedmen's Aid Cause, made a report which was adopted.
- S. L. Hamilton, from the Committee on Sabbath Schools and Tracts, made a report which was adopted.
- A. A. Knappen, from the Committee on Education, made a report which was amended and adopted.

The Secretary was directed to cast the ballot of the Conference for Trustees of Albion College. The ballot was cast, and W. H. Brockway and James W. Sheldon were declared elected for the

term of three years next ensuing, and W. H. Perrine was elected Trustee of the Northwestern University.

- J. E. White, from the Mission Anditing Committee, made a report which was adopted.
- C. C. Olds, from the Committee on Bible Cause, presented a report which was adopted.
- L. Tarr presented a report from the Committee on Temperance which was adopted.
- F. D. Hemenway presented a report from the Committee on Periodicals, which was adopted.

Two sessions of the Conference were ordered for to morrow. (Sunday.) one at 9 A. M. and the other at 2:30 P. M., for a Memorial Service, and for the ordination of Elders and Deacons.

H. C. Peck, from the Board of Visitors to Albion College, presented a report which was accepted and placed on file.

FIFTH DAY.

THREE RIVERS, Mich., Sunday, Sept. 8, 1878.

Conference Lovefeast was held, commencing at 9 A. M., and was conducted by E. H. Day. Public Service was opened at 10:30 A. M, by singing the hymn, commencing:

'Jesus shall reign where e'er the sun Does His successive journeys run."

The Bishop offered prayer, which was followed by the hymn, commencing:

"The Lord Jehovah reigns; His throne is built on high."

The Bishop preached from the text, Rev XXI-5:—"Behold I make all things new."

After the sermon, a collection was taken for Conference Claimants, amounting to \$71.17.

The Bishop then proceeded to the ordination of the following persons to Deacons Orders, viz.: John C. Floyd, Daniel C. Reihl, Marcellus W. Darling, Joseph A. Barnes, Wm. Taylor, James Berry, Frank L. McCoy, Chas. B. Voorhies, Harvey R. Hawley, Wm. H. Barkholder, Jas. A. Weyant and Owen J. Golden.

FIFTH DAY-AFTERNOON SESSION.

THREE RIVERS, Mich., Sunday, Sept. 8, 1878. Conference assembled at 2:30 P. M., W. H. Brockway in the chair. D. C. Jacokes, D. D., of the Detroit Conference offered prayer. A. P. Moors read a memoir of Rev. F. M. Deitz, and was followed by remarks by L. P. Ferguson and J. H. Tanner. J. W. Reed read a memoir of Rev. G. A. Phillips.

E. H. Day read a memoir of Mary A. Brakeman, widow of Josiah Brakeman, deceased, late a member of this Conference. The memoir was follow by remarks by Dr. Jacokes, who spoke feelingly of his association with brother and sister Brakeman in the early years of his ministry.

A. J. Eldred offered a few remarks in honor of the memory of Rev. D. A. Ide, a Local Preacher, who had for a number of years labored as a supply.

H. F. Spencer read a memoir of Rev. Thos. Cleghorn. and H. C. Peck of Rev. S. S. Wilson.

The Bishop then severally ordained the following persons to the office and work of an Elder in the Church of God, viz: James H. Thomas, Wm. L. Tilden, Jonathan M. Whitney, James M. Robinson, Lafayette Dodds, Orrin B. Whitmore, Wesley A. Hunsberger, Lewis Johnson, Wm. L. Jakways and Sanford Snyder.

SIXTH DAY

THREE RIVERS, Mich., Monday, Sept. 9, 1878.

Conference met at 8:30 A. M. A. M. Fitch occupied the chair by appointment. Levi Tarr conducted devotional exercises after which the minutes of the sessions of Saturday afternoon and Sunday were read and approved. The Bishop took the chair, and presented the certificates of the ordinations of yesterday.

C. H. Ellis was made Supernumerary without the passage of character, and his case was referred to the Presiding Elder of Coldwater District for investigation during the interim of Conference.

The Bishop gave notice of the transfer of C. B. Holding from the Southern Illinois Conference.

Warren Mooney was called forward to the altar, and took upon him our ordination vows and also professed full accord with our standards of theology.

He having been an elder in the Congregational Church, his Orders were recognized by the Conference.

W. H. Brockway was made effective at his own request, and the Bishop was requested to appoint him agent to Albion College.

The Conference Treasurer was directed to pay over to the

Treasurer of the Educational Society all moneys in his hands for educational purposes; and the Treasurer of said society was directed to place the same, together with that received last year, at interest.

T. H. Jacokes, from the Committee on our Northern Work, made a report which was adopted. (See Reports.)

Wm. H. Brockway, H. Hall and A. Knappen were appointed a Committee to settle with T. Lyon all matters relating to Olivet Church.

D. C. Jacokes of the Detroit Conference, was introduced, and made some remarks in relation to the State Board of Health, of which he is a member; and the Conference promised the co-operation of its members with the Board.

Dr. Hartzell, of the Louisiana Conference, was introduced, and addressed the Conference in the interests of the Freedmen's Aid Society.

The Conference Treasurer presented the following report. Received as follows:

| For Missions | | | \$6,843 24 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------|-------------|
| For Church Extension | | | 800 35 |
| For Freedmen's Aid | | | 719 31 |
| For Educational Society | | | 137 32 |
| For tract Society | | | 118 25 |
| For S. S. Union | | | 156 70 |
| For Bible Society | | | 117 66 |
| For Bishop's Claim | | | 645 58 |
| CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS. | | | |
| From Churches | s | 1 440 69 | |
| Conference Collection | • • • • • • • • | 71 17 | |
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| Parkhurst Fund | | 26 50 | |
| Michigan Publishing Company | | | \$1.593 36 |
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| Women's F. M. Society | | | 1 50 |
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The Stewards made the following report, viz.:

The Board of Stewards respectfully report that the whole amount of claim for claimants upon the Superannuated Fund is \$9,200, and that the total amount received to meet the claim is \$1,593.36, and that the same has been distributed as follows, viz.:

Willie Austin, \$34.06; Alvin Billings, \$68.12; Isaac Bennett, \$68.12; Mrs. D Burn3, \$69.51; Mrs. Mary Brakeman, \$34.06; Mrs. G. Bignall, \$52.48; Mrs. E. Beard, \$18.42; Mrs. G. L. Childs, \$52.48; Mrs. T. Cleghorn, \$52.48; C. Chick, \$68.12; Mrs. W. C. Comfort, \$52.48; E. C. Chambers, \$68.12; T. Clark, \$51.09; J. W. Cawthorn, \$17.03; G. W. Chapin, \$17.03;

T. J. Congdon, \$17.03; A. A. Dunton, \$68.12; B. F. Doughty, \$68.12; F. Gage, \$68.12; Mrs. J. Hulin, \$35.45; Mrs. J. Jones, \$52.48; Mrs. A. Jennings, \$18.42; Mrs. G. B. Jocelyn, \$69.51; W. F. Jenkins, \$51.09; Mrs. N. Mount, \$69.51; Henry Morgan, \$17.03; J. H. Pitezel, \$68.12; Mrs. G. A. Phillips, \$69.51; J. T. Robe, \$68.12; Mrs. A. Staples, \$52.48; Mrs. R. Sapp, \$69.51; Mrs. G. L. Gilbert, \$1.39; Mrs. L. Chatfield, \$1.39; Mrs. M. B. Camburn, \$1.39; Mrs. W. Ford, \$1.39.

The sum of \$1 39 was placed in the hands of the Conference Treasurer for distribution next year, the same having been assigned to Sister McAllister, who is no longer a claimant, she having married since last Conference.

The following was presented, and adopted by a rising vote:

WHEREAS, This Conference has been most delightfully entertained during this session, in this city; therefore

Resolved, That we do now return our hearty thanks to the Pastor of this Church, and his people, and all other citizens who have so successfully and pleasantly entertained us.

W. H. BROCKWAY, H. P. HENDERSON, D. F. BARNES

The following was presented and adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretary be hereby instructed to prepare a list of the honored dead of the Conference, giving date of admission, Conference relation, years of service place and date of death and age, to be published on a separate page or pages at the head of memoirs.

Resolved, That the names of deceased wives of members of this Conference, giving time of death and age, be also published in the same connection

Resolved, That every five years hereafter, the "In Memoriam" list of those years shall be published as above.

W. H. BROCKWAY, H. F. SPENCER.

The following resolution was also presented and adopted:

Resolved, 1st. That we express our thanks to the officers of the Michigan Central and the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroads, for favors extended to the members of the Conference in traveling to and from the seat of Conference. 2d. That the Secretary of the Conference be instructed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the proper officers of these roads.

F. D. HEMENWAY, J. J. BUELL, S. P. WARNER.

The following was also presented and adopted by a rising vote: Resolved, That the Michigan Conference hereby expresses its

high appreciation of the eminent executive abilities and services of our presiding officer, Bishop J. T. Peck; and that, whenever in Divine Providence and the order of the church he may be permitted, we shall ever be glad to welcome him to our pulpits and to the presidency of the Conference.

W. H. PERRINE, F. D. HEMENWAY.

The following was presented and adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of five members of this Conference be appointed to confer with a similar committee to be appointed by the Detroit Conference in relation to the division of the territories of the Michigan and Detroit Conferences into three Conferences.

W. H. Brockway, W. J. Aldrich. A. P. Moors, W. H Perrine. J. W. Reed, I. I. Buell, D. D. Gillet, F. D. Hemenway, A. A. Knappen, T. H. Jacokes, F. B. Bangs, I. R. A. Wightman A. J. Eldred, H. C. Peck, J. Cogshall, I. Taylor D. F. Barnes, H. M. Joy, H. P. Henderson, I. Bennett.

The following brethren were appointed a committee in accordance with the above resolution, viz.: W. H. Perrine, I. Cogshall, D. F. Barnes, T. H. Jacokes, A. P. Moors.

The Bishop was requested by the Conference to appoint J. H. Potts, Agent of the Preacher's Savings Fund Society.

The minutes were then read and approved and J. W. Robinson announced hymn No. 816, commencing:

"And let our bodies part, To different climes repair,"

after singing which, he led the Conference in prayer.

The Conference Treasurer was authorized to pay to the Secretary \$100.00 from the Missionary Fund, and \$25.00 from the Church Extension Fund, to be used at his discretion, for the publication of the minutes. The Bishop then addressed the Conference, announced the appointments pronounced the benediction, and the Conference adjouned, sine die.

A. R. BOGGS, Secretary.

JESSE T. PECK, President.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

QUESTION 1. Have any entered this Conference by transfer or re-admission?

Answer. W. W. Elder, from the N. Y. East Conference, and W. S. Sly, A. P. Morrison and C. B. Holding from the Southern Illinois Conference; M. D. Terwillegar, from the Minnesota Conference; and by re-admission, Sanford Snyder.

QUESTION 2. Who are admitted on trial?

Answer. Patrick J. Maveety, Grovesner Daniels, Orresta S. Paddock, Geo. T. Newcomb, Warren Mooney, Henry P. Blake.

QUESTION 3. Who remain on trial?

Answer. Seneca C. Strickland, Geo. A. Buell, Martin W. Knapp, John F. Orwick, Wm. J. Hathaway, Albert N. Eldred, Henry O. Lawrence, Edmund V. Armstrong, Washington Gardner, Frank M. McCoy, Joseph Greensted, Jas. Berry, (Bro. Orwick subject to examination on first year's course.)

QUESTION 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Answer. John C. Floyd, Daniel C. Riehl, Marcellus W. Darling, Marshall M. Callen, Joseph A. Barnes, Ephraim S. Holm, John A. Bready.

QUESTION 6. Who are Deacons of the Second Class?

Answer. Amos M. Gould, Robt. H. Bready, Chauncey F. Van Auken, Sanford Snyder.

QUESTION 7. Who have been elected and ordained Elders?

Answer. James H. Thomas. William L. Pilden, Jonathan M. Whitney, James M. Robinson, Wesley A. Hunsberger, Lafayette Dodds, Orrin B. Whitmore.

QUESTION 8. Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?

Answer. J. R. Odin, S. G. Blanchard, W. W. Johnson, J. H. Ross. T. Lyon, Mark Browning, T. H. Bignell, R. Pengelly, J. A. Van Fleet, C. H. Ellis, Geo. D. Lee, D. O. Ball.

QUESTION 9. Who are the Superannuated Preachers?

ANSWER. C. H. Fisher, J. S. Harder, H. H. Hall, J. T. Robe, A. Billings, G. A. Van Horn, H. Morgan, T. J. Hill, G. W. Chapin, W. F. Jenkins, J. H. Pitezell, I. Bennett, J. H. Richards, J. W. Cawthorne, A. A. Dunton, B. F. Doughty J. W. Hollowell, A. Wakefield, T. J. Congdon, E. C. Chambers, F. Gage, J. H. Skinner, T. Clark, C. Chick, G. W. Hoag, F. Glass, L. J. Griffin, A. C. Beach.

QUESTION 10. Was the character of each Preacher examined? Answer.—The name of each was called in open Conference and passed, except two whose cases were referred to the Presiding Elders for examination, in the interim of Conference.

Question 11. Have any located?

Answer. H. N. Hall.

Question 12. Have any withdrawn?

Answer. None.

QUESTION 13. Have any transferred, and to what Conference? Answer. None.

Question 14 Have any been expelled?

Answer. None.

Question 15. Have any died?

Answer. Frederick M. Deitz, Gilbert A. Phillips, Thomas Cleghorn, Samuel S. Wilson.

QUESTION 16. What is the Statistical Report?

Answer. See Statistical Tables.

QUESTION 17. What are the claims upon the Conference Funds? Answer. \$9,200.

QUESTION 18. What has been received on the foregoing claims and how has it been applied?

Answer. \$1,593.36 applied as per Report of Stewards, page 15 Question 19. Where are the Preachers stationed?

Answer.

ALBION DISTRICT-I. TAYLOR, P. E.

Albion—H. F. Spencer.
Battle Creek—A. A. Knappen.
Bellevue—C. S. Fox.
Concord—E. Marble.
Homer—E. L. Kellogg.
Hanover—L. Tarr.
Jackson—T. F. Hildreth.
Litchfield—N. Fassett.
Liberty—J. Berry.

Moscow—J. H. Tanner.
Mosherville—E. D. Bacon.
Nashville—N. L. Brockway.
Olivet—P. J. Maveety.
Penfield—U. Mason.
Parma—H. Hall.
Rives—Supplied by W. Taylor.
South Albion—G. Daniels.
Springport—A. L. Crittenden.

Leroy—E. D. Young.

Marshall—A. Hunsberger. Marengo—W. H. Perrine. Tekonsha-L. P. Ferguson. Tompkins-D. C. Woodard.

J. H. Hopkins and R. C. Welch, Professors in Albion College and members of Albion Quarterly Conference.

W. H. Brockway, Agent of Albion College and member of Albion Quarterly Conference.

D. D. Gillet, Financial Agent of Marshall, Olivet, and Grand Ledge Churches, and member of Battle Creek Quarterly Conference.

COLDWATER DISTRICT-1. COGSHALL, P. E.

Allen-S. M. Merritt.

Bronson—J. Clubine.

Burr Oak-W. J. Hathaway.

Butler—S. C. Strickland.

Burlington—W. Prouty.

Coldwater—J. I. Buell.

Cambria-M. W. Darling.

Centreville—W. I. Cogshall.

Constantine—To be supplied.

Girard—W. M. Colby.

Gilead—J. W. White.

Hillsdale—A. M. Fitch.

Jonesville—C. G. Thomas.

Kinderhook-Supplied by S. George.

North Adams-W. M. Paddock.

Osseo-M. I. Smith.

Quincy-C. C. Olds.

Ransom-G. Donaldson.

Reading—J. T. Iddings.

Sturgis-A. H. Gillet.

Sherwood—O. S. Paddock.

Union City-A. M. Gould.

White Pigeon, J. Webster.

J. H. Potts, Agent of Preacher's Savings Fund Society, and m ember of Coldwater Quarterly Conference.

KALAMAZOO DISTRICT-J. W. MILLER, P. E.

Augusta—J. F. Orwick.

Allegan—L. M. Edmonds.

Bloomingdale-F. N. Janes.

Cooper-E. H. Day.

Climax-E. S. Mechesney.

Douglass-N. M. Steele.

Galesburg-H. P. Henderson.

Irvington-E. A. Tanner.

Johnstown and Baltimore-F. L. South Haven-W. A. Hunsberger. McCov.

Kalamazoo-J. Graham.

Kendalls-Supplied by T. Sprague. Waukeshma-W. M. Ball,

Martin-O. E. Wightman.

Monterey—H. O. Lawrence. Oshtemo-R. H. Bready. Otsego-I. B. Tallman. Parkville-W. W. Elder. Colon & Leonidas—A. E. Ketchum. Prairieville—L. W. Calkins. Plainwell-J. S. Valentine

Mendon-G. W. Tuthill.

Schoolcraft-J. E. White.

Richland-S. P. Hewitt.

Three Rivers—A. J. Eldred. Vicksburg-J. Boynton.

F. D. Hemenway, Professor in Garrett Biblical Institute, and member of Kalamazoo Quarterly Conference.

NILES DISTRICT-A. R. Boggs, P. E.

Buchanan—H. Worthington.

Edwardsburg—J. M. Robinson.

R. Skinner,

Bridgeman—To be supplied by J. Keeler and Silver Creek—G. C. El-

Benton Harbor—E. A. Whitwam.

Lawrence and Hartford-F. I. Bell.

Bangor—E. H. Sparling. Berrieu Springs-J. Hoyt.

Breedsville-To be supplied by D. Mattawan-V. G. Boynton Martz.

Coloma—G. W. Gosling Cassopolis-H. H. Parker. Downgiac—T. H. Jacokes

Decatur—J. W. H. Carlisle.

Jakways. J. M. Reid, Secretary of the Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, and member of the Niles Quarterly Conference.

GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT-W. J. ALDRICH, P. E.

Ada—To be supplied. Berlin—To be supplied.

Byron Center—E. V. Armstrong. Cooperville-N. D. Marsh.

Casinovia—M. D. Terwilligar.

Cannon-G. L. Cole.

Cedar Springs—J. A. Sprague.

Caledonia—To be supplied by J. Ravenna—G. T. Newcomb. Klose.

Division Street, Grand Rapids—D. Sparta—D. R. Latham. F. Barnes.

Newton.

Grand Haven—J. P. Force. Grandville—O. B. Whitmore.

Holland-W. M. Coplin.

IONIA DISTRICT-R. C. CRAWFORD, P. E.

Bowne—D. W. Parsons. Coral—G. A. Buell.

Carson City—J. Gulick.

Danby-C. F. Van Auken.

Elm Hall—To be supplied by H. R. Orleans—W. A. Bronson.

Edmore—To be supplied by C. B. Palo—M. D. Carrell.

Voorheis. Greenville—J. W. Reed.

Greenville Circuit-J. W. Hallen-Sheridan-D. C. Reihl.

Hubbardston-H. D. Jordan. Ionia—E. Cooley, jr.

Lakeview—C. T. VanAntwerp.

Lawton—S. C. Woodard.

Marcellus-J. N. Dayton.

Niles-H. C. Peck.

New Buffalo—I. Wilson.

Pipestone-A. N. Eldred.

Pokagon-T. T. George.

Paw Paw--G. S. Barnes.

Dayton—To be supplied by W. L. St. Joseph—I. R. A. Wightman.

Vandalia-J, White.

Hastings—L. Masters. Irving-J. J. McAllister.

Lamont C. H. Howe.

Moline-To be supplied by T. Clark.

Middleville—E. Wigle. Muskegon—D. Engle.

Newaygo-W. Mooney.

Rockford-W. Gardner.

Spring Lake-J. A. Barnes.

East Street, Grand Rapids-A. D. Second Street, Grand Rapids-J. W. Robinson.

> Ventura-To be supplied by A. J. Wiggins.

Wayland—T. J. Spencer.

Lowell—N. Bray. Lyons—D. S. Haviland.

Millbrook -To be supplied by V. P.

Welch.

Orange—A. J. Wheeler.

Portland—G. L. Haight.

Pewamo and Muir—To be supplied.

Stanton—B. S. Mills.

Saranac—G. E. Hollister.

Vergennes-L. Bathrick. Woodland—J. Roberts.

LANSING DISTRICT—F. B. BANGS, P. E.

Alma—S. Snyder.

Breckenridge-J. F. Wallace.

Grand Ledge—B. S. Pratt.

Ithica—J. R. Cadwell.

Bath—To be supplied.

Chester—To be supplied by S. Nel- Maple Rapids—S. Kıtzmiller.

son.

Charlotte-W. Doust.

Central Church—H. M. Joy.

Duplain—C. A. Jacokes.

Eaton Rapids—S. P. Warner.

Fowler-To be supplied by W. R. St. Johns-J. Hamilton.

McEwen.

First Church—G. C. Draper.

Leslie-W. J. Swift.

Mason—W. Riley.

Ovid-G. W. Sherman.

Okemos-B. W. Smith.

Onondaga-A. T. Gray.

Potterville—M. W. Knapp.

St. Louis—S. L. Hamilton.

Victor—J. Hills.

Vermontville-F. J. Freeman.

BIG RAPIDS DISTRICT—A. J. RUSSELL, P. E.

kins.

Amber—To be supplied by A. Potter. Ludington—J. M. Aikin.

Benona—To be supplied.

Big Rapids—C. L. Barnhart.

Clare—W. H. Ware.

Crystal—L. M. Bennett.

Dushville—To be supplied by A. Pierson—E. S. Holm.

Searles.

Evart-W. Barrett.

Fremont Centre—N. Saunders.

Grant—To be supplied.

Hart-J. H. Thomas.

Heśperia—J. C. Floyd.

Howard City-Supplied by J. F. White Hall and Montague-L. W. McKinley.

Ætna-To be supplied by A. S. Jen- Isabella Indian Mission-To be supplied by J. R. Robinson.

Manistee—A. A. Rolfe.

Mount Pleasant—J. A. Bready.

Morley-G. L. Mount.

Pentwater—J. K. Stark.

Riverton—Supplied by J. W. Smith.

Reed City—Supplied by J.Turner. Riverton Indian Mission—Supplied

by J. Henry.

Shelby-Supplied by W. Lamport.

Twin Lake—Supplied by J. Bacon.

Earl.

GRAND TRAVERSE DISTRICT-A. P. Moors, P. E.

N. Staley.

Boyne—Supplied by W. Heath.

Bear Lake—S. Steele.

Boardman—Supplied by J. A. Wey-

Cadillac-W. R. Stinchcomb.

Cadillac Circuit—Supplied by E. F.

Newell.

Cheboygan River—Supplied by W. Northport—J. Greensted.

H. Burkholder.

Charlevoix Indian Mission-B. H.

Whitman.

Cheboygan—A. P. Morrison.

Burgdorf.

Frankfort—W. S. Sly.

Almira and Inland-Supplied by J. Long Lake-Supplied by C. W. Smith. Little Traverse—C. B. Holding.

Manton—J. M. Whitney.

Mancelona and Kalkaska—Supplied

by O. J. Golden.

Monroe Center and Sherman—G. S.

Hicks, and O. G. Whitman a sup-

Norwood—H. P. Blake.

Northport Indian Mission—J.

Greensted.

Old Mission—To be supplied.

Petoskey-W. L. Tilden.

Elk Rapids-Supplied by J. W. Petoskey Indian Mission-W. L. Tilden.

South Arm—To be supplied.

Glen Arbor—Supplied by W. S. Spencer Creek—Supplied by A. W. - Hines. Bushee.

Gaylord—To be supplied. Traverse City—M. M. Callen.

Leroy—To be supplied by S. T. Williamsburg—L. Dodds.

McKee.

QUESTION 20. When and where shall the next Conference be held?

Answer. To be fixed by the Board of Presiding Elders.

QUESTION 21. Have any Local Preachers been ordained?

Answer. Wm. Taylor, James Berry, Frank L. McCoy. Chas. B. Voorheis, Harvey R. Hawley, Wm. H. Burkholder. Jas. A. Weyant and Owen J. Golden, Deacons; and Lewis Johnson, Wm. L. Jakways, Sanford Snyder, Elders.

QUESTION 22. Are any of our literary or theological institutes under the control and patronage of this Conference and what is their condition?

Answer. See Report on Education.

QUESTION 23. Who are the Conference Board of Church Extension?

Answer. See list of Conference Societies, on page 3.

REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS.

REPORT ON NORTHERN WORK.

THREE RIVERS, Sept. 7, 1878.

To the Michigan Annual Conference:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN:—Your Committee appointed to consider the condition and necessities of our Northern Work, have had the same under consideration and beg leave to report the following Resolutions and move their adoption:

1. That the Presiding Elders of Grand Traverse and Big Rapids Districts, Rev. H. Hall, Hon. J. C. Blanchard and Wm. Van Loo, Esq., be and are hereby appointed a committee to publish a statement of the condition and necessities of our work in the Northern Districts, and send a copy to each Presiding Elder and Pastor in this Conference.

2. That it shall be the duty of each Pastor, early in the year, to give the people information on this subject, in each congregation, and take a collection in this behalf, and forward the same to the Presiding Elder of Grand Traverse District, (who shall return proper voucher,) and report the same to the next Annual Conference, in like manner as we now report our Missionary and Fifth Collections.

3. The Presiding Elders of the two Northern Districts shall distribute and apply the same to our work, as needed in the growing centers of influence, and report the amounts so received and how disbursed, at the next annual Conference, and produce their vouchers therefor.

4. That it is the sense of this Conference that the taking of this collection shall in no measure detract from the collections for our general Mission Work.

T. H. JACOKES, Chairman.

H. C. Peck, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES ON OLIVET AND MARSHALL CHURCHES.

The Committees on the churches of Olivet and Marshall having met, deemed it wise to come together in joint session. Having done so they proceeded to consider the case of Grand Ledge Church in like peril with the two churches above named.

The Committees recommend to the Conference, for adoption, the following:

Resolved, That an agent should be appointed to raise the money needed

for these three churches; and that we recommend to the Bishop as such agent and request the appointment of D. D. Gillet, and in case of his appointment we pledge him our most hearty co-operation.

Resolved, That the money be raised and paid over, provided the churches severally shall raise their portion, and that if any church shall fail, the money to be paid to those if any that do not fail; the understanding being that thereby the debts upon these churches shall be entirely liquidated, and that the people of Marshall shall raise within themselves all but \$2,000 of their indebtedness, and the people of Grand Ledge all but \$2,000 of their indebtedness, and the people of Olivet all but \$1,300 of their indebtedness, leaving \$5,300 to be raised by the Conference Agent; and that from time to time payments shall be made to these churches provate.

Resolved, That the Presiding Elders of Albion, Kalamazoo and Lansing Districts be constituted an Advisory Committee to the Agent on the intention of the Conference; and it shall be their duty to fix the salary of the agent and to audit his bills and accounts.

J. M. REID, C. C. OLOS,

Chairmen of Committees.

CHURCH EXTENSION.

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN:—Your Committee on Church Extension beg leave to report that they recognize the great want of suitable houses of worship. Wherever our Pastors organize societies, churches must be constructed. It is the teaching of time, and the experience of Christian workers everywhere that no permanent success can be obtained, or great advancement made in the cause of Christ without suitable houses of worship; therefore,

Resolved, 1st. That the Church Extension Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church is meeting the great wants of our people to the full extent of its ability; that it is far reaching in its plans, wide spread in its operations and doing no less than the best of other institutions of the church, for the kingdom of our Lord.

2nd. That we will commend the work of the Church Extension Society to all our people, and faithfully take the collection therefor.

3rd. That our faith that the beneficence of the Parent society will meet the rapidly multiplying necessities of our sparse populations in the newer settlements of our State, leaves grave and growing solicitude as to the method by which such wants are in the near future to be met.

Respectfully submitted,

D. D. GILLET.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND TRACTS.

To the Michigan Annual Conference:

With about twenty thousand Sunday Schools, nearly a quarter of a million officers and teachers, and more than a million and a half of scholars, the Methodist Episcopal Church has an hour of golden opportunity and great responsibility, the consciousness of which ought to be an inspiration.

Means and appliances for the efficiency of our Sunday Schools have

never exceeded the present time. Sunday School Assemblies, Institutes, and Normal Classes, with Journals, Leaves, Berean Quarterlies, and other Sunday School periodicals, with notes and comments on the lessons in all of our religious and some of our secular papers, afford opportunities for thorough and cultured preparation on the part of Pastors, Superintendents and Teachers.

We rejoice in these facilities and seize upon the help thus afforded with avidity—at least we ought to do so, and if we do not, such failure is our shame and disgrace.

We believe the Pastor should, whenever possible, be in the Sunday School, a teacher with the teachers, a toiler with the toilers, to bring youth and childhood to Christ. If we teach not for love of Christ and to win souls, we teach in vain.

Your Committee also recognize the power of the Christian Tract. Many of those issued by our own society are attractive in style, terse in utterance, instinct with truth, and are leaves of healing.

We urge that collections be taken on all of our charges for both the Sunday School Union and Tract Society, and suggest that our Ministers themselves circulate the Tracts.

S. L. HAMILTON,
For the Committee.

REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE.

To the members of the Michigan Conference:

The Committee on Education have spent two long sessions in considering its claims as related to this body.

Our great and growing denomination has always demonstrated her appreciation of educational institutions in the most practical manner, especially such as were designed to give liberal, Christian culture. From these have gone out those who have commanded attention and wielded power. Our age and times demand disciplined powers—a fund of information all classified and ready for use, fortifying workers to see clearly, broadly, hold on permanently, and make their mark wherever they go. Next to the grace of God, intellectual culture is the best outfit one can possibly have.

Where shall the "people called Methodists" educate their sons and daughters? This is a question of vast practical importance. Where can this be done the most broadly, consistently, economically, safely, and secure a diploma carrying weight among the learned. The perils to faith are too great and imminent in Romish and Godless institutions to warrant another experiment on the part of one who desires to honor Protestent Christianity, whatever may be their seeming advantages.

Our denominational influence and prosperity are intimately connected with the patronage of our own schools of learning. The different sections need different centers. A wise policy will not lose sight of home interests. By fostering them they soon take on gigantic proportions, tremep-

dous influence. Why not patronize our own denominational and sectional seminaries and colleges as much as our own periodical press.

We rejoice in the growing prosperity of Albion College. The hopes of her friends are being gradually fulfilled. Her increase of students, rigorous curriculum of study, immediate prospect of valuable donations from high sources, the accession to the faculty of such men as Prof. Delos Fall in the chair of Natural Sciences, and Prof. Wm. Haveman to the department of Modern Languages, give promise of superior advantages to the student and greatly increased efficiency and popularity to the institution. We commend the Conservatory of Music as meeting a long felt want. The prospective growth of the Library, Cabinet and Museum also greatly pleases us.

The report of the Board of Trustees assures us that the current expenses of the college are less than her annual income. This is well. It inspires public confidence. While we wish her resources were ample to meet all demands, and shall hail the day when this shall come to pass, nevertheless a wise business economy is imperative alike in the management of private and public affairs.

Viewing the endowment of the College, her learned, discreet and earnest President and Faculty, surrounded and backed by 450 faithful preachers and about 60,000 Methodist laity clothed with energy, inspired with courage and zeal, what may we not soon expect to see in, and around, and proceeding from, Albion College, the object of so many struggles and prayers, fears and hopes, contributions, precious associations and sacred memories. High honors and a large sphere of usefulness await her. By the blessing of God she must and shall succeed gloriously. Let us keep the fact before the people that Albion College is the place where intellectual and spiritual culture are both conferred to the greatest advantage, and its graduates sent out with throbbing hopes, heroic purposes, and farreaching aims and plans.

Because Albion College is the promising child of stalwart Michigan Methodism, we feel an especial interest in, and seek to lift her into deserved prominence and worth. But as beautiful and promising as she is, she is only one of a bright galaxy of stars.

We take a just pride in the character and work of "The Northwestern University," at Evanston, Illinois. She is an honor to any State or denomination.

And for Garrett Biblical Institute, standing in the midst of that beautiful group of buildings, all consecrated to Christian learning, she, the precious gift of a Godly woman appreciating the need and worth of an educated ministry, has claims upon us that no similar institution equals. When we consider her glorious past, struggling present, or possible future, our songs and prayers alternate and intermingle. We deeply sorrow because of her recent financial embarassment. We do not regard her efficient management as responsible for this, but as the result of the depreciation of property everywhere. Human foresight could not prevent it.

Having made such a glorious history in her short but thrilling past-

having sent out from her halls a thousand young men into the Methodist Ministry, burning with unquenchable ardor for Christ and souls—shall she appeal in vain to our great church, which she has done so much to honor, in this her hour of trial? We cannot believe it. We therefore recommend that our Pastors appeal to their congregations for speedy, timely aid. As a denomination we cannot afford, either on the score of justice, mercy, or common decency, to suffer her to close her doors, lose control of her able faculty, or even fall into disrepute, or contract her sphere. Our needs and obligations are reciprocal. The cry of this splendid Theological Seminary should be heard throughout the entire Northwest, until her temporary wants are fully met. Let us honor our section of Methodism by giving her our prayers, effort, sympathy, money. It will certainly pay and be eminently right.

Finally, your committee indulge the hope that our wealthy members will administer on their own estates, by proceeding at once to erect for themselves speaking *memorials*, more beautiful than Corinthian brass or sculptured, lettered marble. May it be said of all of us, that we "have done all we could" to foster broad, literary, and especially these very Christian Institutions.

After due consideration, we most respectfully make the following nominations:

For Trustees of Albion College—Jas. W. Sheldon, Esq., and Rev. W. H. Brockway.

For Visitors to Albion College—Rev'ds. Marcellus W. Darling, Amos H. Gould, C. L. Barnhart.

For Trustee of Northwestern University—Rev. W. H. Perrine, D. D. For Visitors to Garrett Biblical Institute—Rev'ds. C. C. Olds, Levi Masters.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

A. A. KNAPPEN, W. H. PERRINE, JAMES HAMILTON, A. A. ROLFE, A. H. GILLET, GEO. S. CLAPP.

ON THE SANCTITY OF THE SABBATH.

Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy, is a command as obligatory to-day, as when proclaimed by Jehovah from Sinai's awful summit. In its spirit and scope of authority, it not only requires God's people to set apart one seventh portion of time for rest and devotion, but also that all nations knowing H1s law, should on the Sabbath cease from all, secular pursuits and sinful recreations. And as His people are the lights of the world, it is expected that a reverent regard for His law will be always and everywhere manifested by them.

That there is grave unwatchfulness in this regard, and many sad failures among our people to meet this expectation is painfully manifest. And so alarmingly prevalent is Sabbath descration throughout the land,

that we are well nigh chargeable with being a nation of Sabbath-breakers; therefore,

Resolved, That, as God's ministers and pastors of His people, we will both by precept and example, endeavor to secure a devout regard for the Lord's day among all our people.

2nd, That as individuals and as a Conference, we will heartily co-operate with the International Sabbath Association in all commendable methods to secure the proper observance of the Sabbath, by Railroad and Steamboat Corporations, and in the suspension of Sabbath mail carrying by the authority of the Post Master General of these United States.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. L. BROCKWAY, Chairman. S. L. HAMILTON, N. FASSETT.

REPORT ON FREEDMEN.

Your Committee on Freedmen's Aid, beg leave to report the following: Among the many benevolent enterprises of the Church, the Freedmen's Aid is among the most important, and demands our recognition and support as an agency under God, in the mental and moral elevation and salvation of souls, and is entitled to the thoughtful and prayerful attention of our ministers and people. Through its agency multitudes of Freedmen have been converted, and a thirst for knowledge, and a desire for salvation kindled in the hearts of thousands.

The sum \$712.79 contributed the past year, coupled with the increase of \$116.60 over the contributions of last, is evidence that our ministers and people are interested in, and ready to contribute of their prayers and money for the success of this cause; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we accept of the apportionment to this Conference, for the cause, and respectfully request the Presiding Elders to apportion the same to the several Districts and Charges, and report to our Pastors at as early day as practicable.

2nd, That we will present the claims of this to our congregations, and urge them to contribute to its funds.

Respectfully submitted,

V. G. BOYNTON, H. P. HENDERSON, G. C. DRAPER.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Believing that the use of intoxicating liquors is an unmitigated curse to the seller, the consumer and society; therefore,

Resolved, 1st. That we will do all we can to reform the vender and the drinker, to suppress the sale and prohibit both the manufacture and importation of all intoxicating liquors.

2nd. That renting buildings, signing bonds, or supplying material for the manufacture or sale of any spiritous or malt liquor may subject a member of this Conference to charges, and trial for immoral conduct.

3rd. That we are in hearty sympathy with all temperance organizations, so far as their methods are in harmony with our noly Christianity.

4th. That we are utterly opposed to the use of fermented wine in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

, 5th. That the traffic and use of intoxicating liquors should be regarded as criminal and prohibited by law.

T. F. HILDRETH, LEVI TARR, J. W. HALLENBECK.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your committee on the subject of periodicals would respectfully report:

- 1. We contemplate with satisfaction and with gratitude the history, the character and the commanding influence of the Methodist Quarterly Review. In many important regards it has no superior in the English language. Its able book notices, its resume of the current religious and literary history of the world, and its clear and ringing utterances on the doctrines and probity of the Methodist Episcopal Church should commend it to the favor and the patronage of all our ministers and many of our cultured laymen. We earnestly hope that no member of, this Conference, even in these times of stringency and retrenchment, will afford to do without it.
- 2. We approve of the efforts which have been made to broaden the plan and to improve the character of the National Repository, and for the measure of success which has attended them. It is our opinion however, that it may be still further improved and made more suitable for its mission in our families by giving greater prominence to articles of living interest bearing upon Bible study and Christian life and work. We regard it of vital moment that this magazine be sustained, and would earnestly commend it to the favor and support of our people.
- 3. We approve of the tone and rejoice in prosperity of our own paper, The Northwestern Christian Advocate. We hold it to be of vital moment that all our church papers, established as they are at leading centers of influence, be sustained. We believe that the West needs its papers as really as its own institutions of learning, and we would earnestly exhort our people to stand by the paper which the church has established for our benefit.
- 4. We would greatefully acknowledge the courtesies which we, as a Conference and as individual pastors have received from the Michigan Christian Advocate, and have witnessed with pleasure the fidelity of this paper to the interests of our Church in this great State. We should however, deprecate allowing even this excellent paper to supercede in any measure the papers which are published under the direct control of the church.

Respectfully submitted,

F. D. HEMENWAY, For the Committee.

MISSIONARY APPORTIONMENT.

Your Committee on Missions recommend the following disbursements of the sums appropriated to this Conference for Domestic and Indian-Missions:

| | GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT. | | | |
|-------------------------------|--|----------------|-----------------|--|
| To | East Street | \$ 50 00 | | |
| To | Holland | 100 00 | | |
| To | Grand Haven | $200 \ 00$ | \$350 00 | |
| | ALBION DISTRICT. | | | |
| To | Olivet | | 50 00 | |
| 10 | | | 00 00 | |
| | COLDWATER DISTRICT. | | | |
| To | Athens | | 50 00 | |
| | NILES DISTRICT. | | | |
| To | NILES DISTRICT. Benton Harbor | | 50.00 | |
| 10 | | | 00 00 | |
| | IONIA DISTRICT. | | · | |
| To | Coral | 50 00 | | |
| To | Edmore | 50 00 | 100 00 | |
| | BIG RAPIDS DISTRICT. | | | |
| То | Pentwater | 100 00 | | |
| " | Clare | 100 00 | | |
| 66 | Reed City | 50 00 | | |
| 66 | Riverton | 20 00 | | |
| 44 | Crystal | 40 00 | | |
| 44 | Hesperia | 40 00 | | |
| 44 | Howard City | 50 00 | | |
| 44 | Shelby | 50 00 | 450 00 | |
| | GRAND TRAVERSE DISTRICT. | 00 00 | 100 00 | |
| re: | | | | |
| To | the District | $250\ 00$ | | |
| | Traverse City | 140 00 | | |
| 66 | Petoskey | 150 00 | | |
| | Cheboygan | 150 00 | • | |
| | North Port | 40 00 | | |
| " | Charleyoix | 50 00 | | |
| 44 | Frankfort Little Traverse | 50 00 50 00 | | |
| 66 | Manton | 50 00 | | |
| | Bear Lake | 20 00 | 950 00 | |
| | Dear Lake | 20 00 | 900 00 | |
| | Total for Domestic Missions | | \$2,000 00 | |
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| | INDIAN MISSIONS—BIG RAPIDS DISTE | CICT. | | |
| To | District | \$100 00 | | |
| " | Isabella Indian Mission | 200 00 | | |
| 44 | Riverton Indian Mission | 125 00 | \$425 00 | |
| | GRAND TRAVERSE DISTRICT. | | | |
| То | the District | 85 00 | | |
| 10 | Charlevoix Indian Mission | 40 00 | | |
| 66 | North Port Indian Mission | 50 00 | | |
| 66 | Petoskey Indian Mission | 50 00 | | |
| 44 | Elk Rapids Indian Mission | 50 00 | 275 00 | |
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| | Total from Indian Appropriation | | \$700.00 | |
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| These appropriations approved | | | | |

JESSE T. PECK, Presiding Bishop.

These appropriations approved.

COMMITTEE ON BIBLE CAUSE.

To the Members of the Michigan Annual Conference:

Your Committee on the Bible Cause would most respectfully report that inasmuch as the Bible is the Book of Books, the foundation of our faith, the text book of all true religion, the citadel of strength in the State, every ecclesiastical body ought to commit itself to and stand committed to the publication and distribution of the Scriptures. We here affirm, that as our relations to the American Bible Society are unchanged, we will continue to give our undiminished support to the Society in her work of printing and distributing the word of God without note or comment.

Your Committee has learned from the State agent of the parent Bible Society, that she has donated to the County Societies of this State, 1,300 Bibles for distribution within the State to destitute families, which distribution has been done through the agent, by colporteurs, mostly in the Northern Counties. By this canvass made, we learn that one-sixth and more of the families visited are destitute of the Bible, and in view of such a destitution, we, as a church, should most cordially sympathize with and work in conjunction with any agency that will put the word of God into every household in our State.

Resolved, That where the agent cannot visit our churches, and present the cause and take the collection, we, as pastors, will do this ourselves.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

C. C. OLDS, Chairman.

MISSION AUDITING REPORT.

To the Bishop and members of the Michigan Conference:

You Committee to audit the accounts of the Presiding Elders relating to the distribution of Missionary Money for the past year, beg leav to report as follows:

Your Committee have examined all the vouchers, and find them all correct as to amounts and names and time of payments with the exception of Big Rapids' District. The Committee find no receipt for \$40.00 appropriated to Riverton, and only find receipts for three-tourths of the money appropriated to Isabella Indian Mission and Riverton Indian Mission. The Presiding Elder of that district gives your Committee the assurance that he has sent the money but has not received the receipts, and as soon as they can be obtained he will place them in the Committee's hands.

Respectfully submitted,
J. E. WHITE,
J. W. H. CARLISLE,
N. SAUNDERS.



Memoir of Fred. M. Deitz.

Rev. Fred. M. Deitz, a member of the Michigan Conference, was born in Webster, Monroe county, New York, and died in Northport, Mich., Sept. 11th, 1877, of consumption. In 1844 his parents with a large family removed to Maple Corners, Ionia county, Mich. He experienced religion in 1850 and united with the M. E. Church at Maple Corners, and ever after, until the close of life, manifested an earnest zeal in the cause of Christ. A part of his early manhood was spent as a teacher, in which avocation he succeeded well, giving satisfaction wherever employed. In August, 1862 he enlisted in the Twenty-first Regiment, Michigan Volunteer Infantry, but was prevented by sickness from entering military service.

In 1864 he received license to preach under the pastorate of Rev. E. D. Young. His first pastoral charge was as a supply on the Ravenna Circuit, Grand Rapids District, Rev. H. Morgan, Presiding Elder. He was received on trial in the Michigan Conference, in September 1866, and appointed as junior preacher to Cedar Springs Circuit, where he remained in the same relation the year following. At the Conference of 1868 he was received into full connection and appointed to Paris, where he remained

two years. His subsequent appointments are as follows:

1870, Mattawan; 1871, Ganges; 1872-5, Northport; 1875, Monroe Centre; 1876, Manton. On this charge the disease which terminated his life first manifested itself, and to his inexpressible grief he was obliged to resign his work ere the year was half through. He was married to Miss Eliza Inwood, of Northport, in September, 1875. Their wedded life was brief; her death occurring in June 1876. In his death the church has lost an exemplary member; the Michigan Conference an earnest laborer, and the community a good citizen. He leaves an aged father and several brothers and sisters to mourn his departure. His remains were carried to their final resting place, and laid according

to his wish beside those of his beloved wife, whither they were followed by a large concourse of people, among whom he had

labored as pastor for three years.

Bro. Deitz died a martyr to over-work. His duties compelled him to preach three times on each Sabbath, and walk from one appointment to the other. On the alternate Sundays the distance to be walked through the deep snow was from eight to twelve miles. Under this excessive labor his naturally strong constitution broke down. He was a man of uncompromising fidelity to his convictions, and his death was one of serene Christian triumph.

A. P. MOORS.

Memoir of Rev. Cilbert A. Phillips.

Ten years ago, at the altar of the M. E. Church, in Three Rivers, Michigan, Rev. Gilbert A. Phillips was received into the fellowship of the Methodist Ministry. These ten years have been cheered by his life and work, and saddened by his death, and, to this last hour of the decade, is committed the trust of bringing to your altar, the precious memories associated with his self sacrificing labors in the ministry, and with his triumphant departure.

Brother Phillips was born at Glen Ross, Ontario, July 14, 1837. His mother, a devoted Christian, early led him to the Savior, and at a tender age, by his mother's knee, he professed salvation. Subsequently, however, as he neared manhood, he wandered away from God. While astray he became skeptical and openly avowed his disbelief in the Christian religion. Nevertheless the chords of influence, stretching back to his childhood's home, and his mother's prayers, were so strong that, while at Otsego, Michigan, during a series of meetings, conducted by that honored servant of God, Rev. E. H. Day, Brother Phillips was led to renounce his skepticism and give his heart to Christ. Immediately, conferring not with flesh and blood, he entered upon the work of winning souls. During that same winter he held a series of meetings, upon his own responsibility, in the vicinity of Otsego, and by his fervid exhortation and Godly admonitions was the happy instrument in awakening and bringing to Christ about twenty-five per-

On the 17th of March, 1860, Brother Phillips was married to Mary M. Rankins. To say that Sister Phillips was his faithful counsellor and assistant in his ministry, and his unfailing support and companion in his affliction would be but a tribute to her love and devotion. She remains with five children to mourn their loved one gone.

At the Conference held in Three Rivers in 1868, Brother Phil-

lips received his first appointment—Ludington.

Two years of successful labor at that point were passed and then he was stationed at Hart two more years, success everywhere erowning his efforts, and he came to the Conference at Jackson, where he was ordained Elder by Bishop Ames. These four years of earnest labor told upon his naturally feeble constitution. But he accepted an appointment to Wayland. While here, his health failing him, he attempted to recruit in California, with partial success.

Returning to his work in Wayland he remained with that people three years honored and signally useful. From thence he was appointed to the Orange circuit. Upon this field of labor he wrought wondrous things for God. While there he built two fine churches, and a parsonage, besides reorganizing the circuit and in an encouraging degree building up the spiritual interests of the charge.

But the work was too severe. His overtasked powers constantly demanded rest, but the indomitable energy of the man held him to his task until the session of Conference held at Grand Rapids. It was plain now to himself that he must yield; yet there was a touching tremor in his voice as he said to the writer of this memoir, "But I wanted, God willing, to die in the pulpit."

Sadly, and suffering greatly, he made his way to the Conference, that he might look upon his brethren once more before he died. With tearful eyes he gazed upon the old familiar faces and Conference scenes, then turned away from us expecting to see his brethren no more on earth.

He left the parsonage at Orange, which was largely built by his tireless energy, and a dying man, with a sorrowful wife and five helpless children, he moved to Lyons—to die. That was the saddest removal within the bounds of the Michigan Conference. Yet, with a tender, child-like faith, he conformed to the will of God and patiently awaited the call of his Lord. That call came upon a quiet Sunday evening, November 4th.

His faith seemed to intensify and absorb all his waning powers and faculties as he drew near to the eternal world, till it mastered all other forces of his nature and he died sending back to you, to this hour, to this altar, his dying testimony: "Tell them I am free; tell them all I am free. Victory! Victory! Victory!"

"Thus passed the strong heroic soul away;
And when we buried him,
The little town had seldom seen a sadder funeral."

In the Le Valley Church, Nov. 7, 1877, a large concourse of friends from Lyons and neighboring charges, and particularly from Orange, his last charge, assembled to pay the last tribute of respect to departed worth. Every person in that tearful audience was a sincere mourner.

His ministerial brethren, with touching devotion, gathered from near and far.

Thus surrounded by a people whose love for him was great, we laid him from our present sight away in a little rural cemetery, where those whom he loved, and for whom he labored, shall come

one by one to sleep with him, "henceforth expecting" to see him eye to eye when God shall welcome his children home.

JAS. W. REED.

Memoir of Rev. S. S. Wilson.

Samuel S. Wilson was born in Hope, Durham county, Ontario, July 21, 1835. Converted in his 18th year, he immediately testified "to his father's house" the saving love of Jesus. Two of his brothers were converted the same day, and are now honored min-

isters in the Wesleyan connection, Canada.

He married Mary Ann Taylor in 1858, who, with five children survive him. He emigrated to Northern Michigan in 1868, and was admitted on trial in the Michigan Conference in 1869. He served the church in Millbrook, Morley, Bedford, Kendalls and Parkville charges with great acceptability and usefulness. His ministry was blessed with revivals of great power in all these charges save Bedford. Early in January 1878, he was attacked by a severe cold, by which he was immediately prostrated. Medical skill was unavailing. He expired in great peace, at 10 P. M., Jan. 18, 1878, surrounded by his family and parishioners, who seemed alike bereaved. Bro. Wilson was in the best sense a believer. The Bible was to him, the word of God, and ruled his heart and life, and he was consequently, a model Christian gentleman. As I witnessed his life for eight successive years as his Presiding Elder, my heart felt the force of the Apostle's words, "Ye are the Temple of God, and the Spirit of God dwelleth in you." Always cheerful and trusting, the Spirit of his life proved the most intimate communion and fellowship with Jesus.

During his last illness he was assailed with the fiercest temptations (to distrust) of his life, but his soul was delivered with great power. "O, how excellent!" he exclaimed, "He keeps me in his arms! My soul rejoices in His full salvation! All is bright and glorious!" And thus he triumphed in the Lord It was an occasion never to be forgotten by those who witnessed it. He was conscious, and his soul was full of Holy triumph to the last moment. Just before his death, he placed his hand on the head of each of his three sons, separately, and blessed them, beginning with the youngest, John Wesley, whom he recalled and solemnly dedicated to the work of the ministry. At his request his funeral sermon was founded on 2 Tim. 4, 7-8. His body was burried in Rowland Cemetery, Isabella county, Michigan, near the

future home of his family.

H. C. PECK.

Memoir of Rev. Thomas Cleghorn.

Rev. Thomas Cleghorn was born in Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence county, New York, in 1821, and died in Casnovia, Michigan, February 24th, 1878, in the fifty seventh year of his age.

Converted in early life, his attention was soon turned to the sacred office of the Ministry, and in 1846 he was received into the traveling connection of the Wesleyan Church in Canada.

His educational advantages had been such as to fit him commendably for his work, and rapidly he rose to the occupancy of important fields.

He was chairman of three districts and his administration was characterized by sound judgment deep piety and solid culture.

He was earnest and spiritual, and evinced more than ordinary

ability as an expounder of the "word."

In 1871, after twenty five years of labor in Canada he was transferred to the Michigan Conference through the solicitation

of the late Rev. Joseph Jones

At the time of his death he was serving on his sixth charge in this Conference, having been previously at Whitehall, Richland Oshtemo, Alaska and Ada, where he had done faithful work for God and was esteemed by His people.

In the midst of active labors, loved and sustained by his parishioners, in apparently good health and without, as far as we know, a moment's warning, death came and closed his earthly career.

He had preached twice that Sabbath and had traveled fourteen miles, and had entered the sacred desk for evening worship. After the singing and prayer, he rose and read for his scripture lesson a portion of God's word contained in the sixteenth chapter of the Gospel of St. John, where we find these words: "A little while, and ye shall not see me; and again a little while and ye shall see me, because I go to the Father.

While some of these beautiful verses were being read, the summons came and he was speechless. Casting an anxious look toward his loving wife, who had been the sharer of his joys and sorrows, then turning with beaming and heavenly countenance he

pronounced a silent benediction on the congregation.

He never spoke again; but in a short time took his departure for the better land. There rests however on the Church and on all who knew him, the perfume of his consecrated and valuable endeavors.

The ancients were accustomed to represent mortality by a flower crushed in the hand, a pillar broken off at the top, a ship stranded on the beach, and they saw little or nothing beyond. But we look further on, and behold in the life our Brother has bequeathed to us, a legacy of blessing that shall never perish.

H. F. SPENCER.

Memoir of Mrs. Mary A. Brakeman.

Mrs. Mary Brakeman was born in Bloomfield, New York, in 1806, and died March 3, 1878, aged 72 years. At the age of 18 she gave her heart to the Saviour and unfalteringly followed in His foot-steps until He said come up higher. She was married to Josiah Brakeman in 1825. Soon after their marriage her husband was converted, and five years after commenced the life of an itinerant preacher. For 19 years she knew the joys and sorrows of frontier itinerant life. In 1836, she with her husband came to Western Michigan, and in 1849 secured themselves a home in Cooper, near Kalamazoo. Bro. Brakeman then Presiding Elder of Ann Arbor District, was killed by a fall from his horse, and she was left a widow with eight small children, but the grace of God sustained her, and finding her way to her then wilderness home, brought up her little flock, (all but one of whom survive her) in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

For 14 years she was unable to leave her bed, yet grace sustained her through all those long and weary years. She said to the writer only a few hours before her death, "O, Bro. Day, how much longer shall I have to wait?" At midnight the cry come, "Behold the bridegroom cometh, go ye out to meet him." Her lamp was trimmed and burning, and gladly she hastened to meet her Lord. Her husband sleeps at Ann Arbor, while she sleeps in our beautiful cemetery at Cooper, but God shall bring them

with him when he comes to make up his jewels.

Let me die the death of the righteous and let my last end be like His. E. H. DAY.

Memoir of Rev. D. A. Ide, Local Preacher and Supply.

Rev. D. A. Ide died in the parsonage at Kinderhook, Michigan, Nov. 4, 1877, in his fifty-sixth year. He was born in Canada about sixty miles east of Montreal Feb. 18, 1822. He was converted and joined the Methodist Church at the age of twenty; was licensed to exhort June 18, 1844; to preach, July 31, 1847; ordained a deacon Sept. 17, 1871; and received elder's orders Sept. 12, 1875. He traveled six years as a supply on the following charges: Mattison, 1871, one year; Kinderhook, two years; Ransom two years; and in 1876 back to Kinderhook, where he closed his labors. Bro. Ide was an able minister of the gospel, faithful, earnest, and successful. A goodly number were converted, and the churches greatly edified and built up under his ministry. He was highly esteemed by all the charges and congregations that he was called to serve. He died in the faith of the gospel, leaving a wife and family to mourn his absence; but they sorrow not as those that have no hope. "He rests from his labors and his works do follow him."

ISAAC BENNETT.

DETAILED MISSIONARY REPORT.

ALBION DISTRICT.

Parma—H. Hall, Pastor. Contributors to Missionary money: W. G. Brown, \$8; Nathan Dean, Mrs. H. Campbell, Mrs. F. Campbell, Mrs. W. G. Brown, Mrs. Lucy B. Clark and Daniel Hedden, \$5 each; H. Hall, \$3; W. W. Dean, Frank G. Miner, Christopher Reasoner, David Landon, Edwin Upton and J. Sampson, each \$2; E. Root, Mrs. Abra Miner, Wm. S. Godfrey and Bent Brown, \$1 each; Miss L. O. Hall, Chas. McGee, C. H. Cowan, C. S. Fuller, O. S. Ludlow, Mrs. Kee'er and Libbie Upton, each 50 cents; Lewis W. Baily, J. Davis, D. J. Landon, Mrs. D. Mackey and Clara Keeler, 25 cents each; F. Cooley, Ada Fuller, Charlie Fuller and M. A. Fuller, each 10 cents. Total by contributors, \$63.50; total by collections, \$11.50; grand total, \$75. Miss Maggie, J. Keeler is made life member of the Parent Missionary Society.

Liberty—J. H. Tanner, Pastor. \$40 to constitute Belle Tanner and Mattie Tanner life members of the Parent Missionary Society.

Tompkins—D. C. Woodard, Pastor. Miss Flora Haite collected \$22.00; Miss Fanny Lawrence collected \$25.00; Miss Emma Underhill collected \$31.25; Mis Hannah Hoperaft collected \$14.50; By the Sunday School, \$7.25; Total from Tompkins, \$100.00. Miss Flora Haite, Miss Fanny Lawrence, Miss Emma Underhill, Miss Hannah Hoperaft, made members of the Parent Society.

Battle Creek-A. A. Kappen, Pastor. The following sums were contributed to the Missionary Society, viz: A. A. Knappen, P. H. Green, S. H. Morley, S. Roberts, J. Phelps Beach, J. W. Smith, Jane Smith, J. M. Gallaup, Minerva Rowley, Geo. Burnham, D. Craine, Chas. Peters \$5 each; John Farmer, Eva Allen, R. Parks, W. E. Fuller, Mattie Lagrange, J. B. Dawley, Wm. Crum, Geo. Hamilton, J. S. Brown, \$3 each; R. C. Parker, Webster Rogers, Cordelia Stone, H. Gregory, S. Moosier, C. Pettee, J. Peavey, Mr. Roberts, A. E. Reasoner, U. Barney, G. T. Smith, H. B. Hougland, H. Loomis, Edgar Hickman, Bro. Nichols, L. Laughhead, J. Johnson, Mr. Gilbert, Ed. Mun, J. R. Rowley, \$3 each; P. L. Conine, . W. I. Hamilton, S. Rogers, D. Landreth, M. Burnham, M. Pendill, A. Hull, A. B. Lipscomb, B. L. Cornwell, Sister Wheelock, M. Barney, Bro. Ogden, L. Henson, H. Kneeland, Mr. Kneeland, Clara Gregory, M. B. Russell, O. W. Bailey, Emma Shaw, C. Haliday, Eli Shupe, Norman Stall, Emma Morley, Mary Morley, Lillie Ford, Kate Stillman, Mary Greeble, S. Miller, S. Pettee, A. Willard, J. Hickman, A. R. Hougland, Mrs. Farman, L. Metcalf, A. P. Green, each \$1.00; Total \$165.00.

Mosherville—E. D. Bacon, pastor. From Sabbath School, \$20; from Church, \$30.

Concord—E. Marble, pastor. \$55, to constitute Miss Lena Hogle, Arvilla Woodliff, Sarah Dodes, Carrie Fitch and Alice Bean, life members of the Conference Society.

Springport—L. P. Ferguson, pastor. Total collected from the Springport charge, \$23.35.

KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.

Allegan-L. M. Edmonds, pastor. L. M. Edmonds and family, \$3.16; B. W. Colburn, \$5; C. F. Tubesh, Waters Brown, A. Knickerbocker, D. Knickerbocker, \$1 each; B. B. Sutphin, \$1.50; George Cook, W. G. Born, and Miss Ruthie Burgess, \$1 each; George Winters and family, \$1.50; Dr. H. F. Thomas, \$1; B. F. Howell, Wm. S. June, J. Forward and wife, E. Atwater, Miss J. Langley, E. C. Leavenworth, Mrs. E. Drew, Miss Ann S. Walker, Mrs. Helen Williams, Mrs. C. A. Crume, S. Wright, Mrs. E. Bradshaw, and Mrs. H. Hoisworth, 50 cents each; Misses O. and J. Field, 50 cents; Mrs Sarah Jackson and J. Sowersby, 75 cents each; Mr. Burgess and wife, \$1; Platt Wicks and family, \$1; C. Bullard, cash, Miss Alice Carter, J. P. Main, Mrs. R. M. Palmer, L. Harrison and H. Wilson, 25 cents each; from Allegan Sunday School Juvenile Missionary Society, \$5.34; total from Allegan Society, \$36.75. From Millgrove—Collected by Miss Eliza Wood: A. H. Estabrook and wife, \$1.50; Mrs. W. Peet, \$1; Geo. Kingsley and wife, \$1; J. M. Zimmerman and wife, \$1; T. S. Osborn, J. J. Young, Frank W. Flint, and Edwin Withrow, 50 cents each; Warren and Elmer Pratt, 50 cents; C. Hitchcock, Elmer Newman, Mrs. Lydia M. Sullivan Miss Minnie Franks, Mr. George Peet, Mr. Adell Rundell and Miss Eliza Wood, 25 cents each; total \$8.75. Collected by Miss Nellie Vosburgh: Alonzo Vosburgh, 50 cents; F. Williams and wife, 75 cents; L. Rutgers and wife, 75 cents; J. W. Solomon, \$1; Delos Whittaker, A. W. Judd, T. W. Sither, Mrs. L. A. Gardner, Mrs. Elizabeth Tugg, 50 cents each; Mrs. Mary M. Clark, F. Collins, Mrs. M. E. Edmonds, Mrs. L. K. Richards, Mrs. Oma J. Reeves, Mrs. Martha M. Hurkison, Miss L. Young, Mrs. S. Beverly and Mrs. E. H. Beverly, 25 cents each; total \$7.75. Total paid by Mill Grove Society, \$16.50. Paid at South Trowbridge: James J. Burrell, 25 cents; John M. Van Zile, 50 cents; total 75 cents. Total from Allegan charge, \$54.00; the amount assessed

Climax—E. S. Mechesney, Pastor. Missionary List: E. S. Mechesney and family, \$5.00; O. Burnham, T. T. Hallock, \$5.00 each; O. L. Hodges, Jeremiah Harrison, Mrs. A. D. Burnham, H. Dickie, H.W. Clark, Lineous Brown, James Hill, Lydia Eldred, Josiah Shoup, Louise LeFevre, N. Reasoner, Mrs. M. Reasoner, J. M. Wardell, Mrs. Dr. Jackson, Mrs. Jane Guchess, S. Peckham, each \$1.00; Mrs. Simmons, 60 cents; Mr. Dr. Seeley, Ida C. Seeley, Mrs. C. Brown, Mrs. E. Pierce, Jennie Retallick, Sarah LeFevre, Ella Luis, Mr. J. Retallick, Eugene Keel, Eunice Eldred, N. E. Retallick, Minnie Roof, Lillie Scramblin, William Sheldon Mrs. Roof,

W. Smith, Etta Phelps, Lewis Mapes, Annie Henton, Alice Blass, James Green, James Winslow, Timothy Hodges, Ella Clark, Frank Blake, Jacob Weldon, Isaac Dickie, Mary Brown, each 50 cents; Mrs. S. Eggleston, 40 cents; Mrs. Bishop, 35 cents; Ida Pierce, Mrs. N. Cook, Maggie Reasoner, Mrs. W. Smith, Wallace Peckham, Mrs. Hamblet, A. J. Harding, N. Groat, Lina Ritcherson, each 25; Small sums, 30 cents; Climax Sunday School, \$8.85. Scotts—T. F. Husted, \$1.00; E. Grover, H. M. Goldsmith, Mrs. J. Scrambling, each 50 cents; J. L. Sweesey, 75; Wm. Scrambling, J. Scrambling, A. Haas, each 25 cents; Small sums, 45 cents; Total \$62.20.

Douglas-V. G. Boynton, Pastor. Miss Gracie Owen, collector. V. G. Boynton, \$2.00; Mrs. V. G. Bovnton, \$1; Chas. V. Boynton, 50 cents; Fred W. Boynton, 25 cents; Master Geo. Boynton, 10 cents; Mrs. N. Flint, Gracie M. Owen, each 25 cents; Mrs. J. S. Owen, 75 cents; Mrs. L. A. Upson, 50 cents; Mrs. L. Dutcher, \$1; Mrs. R. M. Moore, \$1; Mrs. Rebecca Gerber, Mrs. Thomas Gray, Mrs. Mary A. Woodworth, Mrs. J. S. Crouse, Florence J. Porter, Mrs. F. J. Higgins, Daniel Gerber, each 50 cents; Total \$11.20. Pier Cove-Mrs. Mary Payne, collector. V. G. Boynton, Wm. Corner, each \$1; Sarah Collins, E. A. Dunn, Henry Mable, Elizabeth Cummings, Mrs. E. J. Raplee, Mrs. Hoover, each 50 cents. Lucretia Johnson, Lydia Weed, Ella Payne, each 25 cents; Mrs. S. A. Ferguson, H. Collins, Mr. Gardner, Harriett Hattersley, Susan Dunn, J. Wadsworth, David Hoover, 50 cents each; Sarah Corner, Mrs. Fiegert, Mrs. Hattersley, 25 cents each; Mrs. Taylor, 50 cents; Cash, 15; Total \$10.65; Fennville-Mabel Arnold, collector. Hollie Buck, 10 cents; Joseph Benson, 25 cents; Allie Whitbeck, Mrs. Margaret Veder, Mrs. Crawford, 10 cents each; Chas. T. Billings, 50; Collection, 90 cents; Total \$2.05; Grand total, \$23.90; Mrs. Mary Payne and Grace M. Owen, to be made life members of the Conference Missionary Society.

Prairieville—L. W. Calkins, pastor. \$20, to constitute Mrs. Nellie Every and Miss Carrie Sidnam members of the Conference Missionary Society.

Mendon-J. E. White, pastor. Collections, \$36.75.

Otsego.—I. B. Tallman, pastor. From Otsego, \$20.10; from Trowbridge, \$15.16; total, \$35.26.

Schoolcraft—J. Boynton, pastor. J. T. Cobb, \$4; H. W. Barnhart and Thomas Wright, \$2 each; Frank Bauer, \$1.50; J. Boynton, W. S. Boynton, W. Hanes, R. Buss. Charles Barnhart, S. F. Caldwell, A. Weinburg, S. Weinburg, W. Worthington, Mrs. Wm Garland and E. A. Strong, each \$1; Mark Worthington, 75 cents; T. J. VanKirk and M. H. Cooper, 60 cents each; Minnie Boynton, Kittie Boynton, A. Arwine, T. Tweedie, S. F. Karshner, A. M. Karshner and J. VanNess, 50 cents each; 90 cents in small sums.

Kalamazoo—H. F. Spencer, pastor. Kalamazoo M. E. Church contributions to Missions: Church, \$144.55; Sunday School, \$74.50; total, \$219.05. E. J. Phelps, L. M. Elder, H. Wood, H. F. Spencer, E. A. Carder, T. C. Brownell, G. M. Buck, M. W. Roberts, Jacob Mitchell, M. J.

Bigelow, R. Pearce, W. S. Lawlence, J. M. Davis, B. C. Ensign, Mrs. H. F. Spencer, Miss Louise Bassett, Mrs. J. D. White, each \$5; Frances Slussar, E. Dennision, I. C. Pelgrim, \$3 each; Rev. J. W. Miller and family, \$2.50; Comstock Class, \$5.85; Mrs. C. Miller, Mrs. Parker, A. W. Rowley, Mrs. Monroe, Mrs. C. Barnard, H. W. Skinner, Martin Bacon, \$2; each; Mrs. W. C. Comfort, Chas. P. Secord, H. G. Parker, A. M. Lunbard, W. R. Solomon, Frankie Pierson, J. Zollenberg, Carrie F. Spencer, S. B. Hammond, J. M. Tolchard, E. S. Weeks, G. Moerdink, Thomas Crue, Minnie Bowman, Mrs. Beckwith, \$1.00 cach; S. S. Linnell, 55 cents; O. F. Colman, Dr. Babcock, S. D. Gage, Geo Britton, E. T. Hume, Delacey Latta, Miss Genevieve Babcock, Miss Hattie Phelps, Miss C. C. Head, Miss M. J. Remington, each 50 cents; smaller sums included in amount.

GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.

Ventura-L. M. Bennett, Pastor. Total, \$7.93.

Grandville—C. H. Fisher, pastor. \$26.00, to constitute Miss Sarah Misner and Miss Clara R. Brudi life members of the Conference Missionary Society.

Muskegon-C. L. Barnhart, pastor. C. L. Barnhart, L. M. Harrils, J. B. Vallicott, G. J. Tillotson, J. D. Follmer, \$5 each; W. H. Schuntz and family, \$4; A. DeYoung, H. J. Haines, Mrs. S. C. Moon, \$3 each; E. P. Watson, J. W. Lund, D. Swartout, O. W. Plummer, P. A. Bates, J. A. Curry. A. Stone, Mrs. Lake, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Merill, Mrs. Piper, Miss Emory. Miss Aldrich, \$2 each; G. W. Howell, D. E. Howell, W. Boyer, D. A. J. Weston, B. F. Polhemns, D. Philabond, Bro. Miller, J. Derrick, C. Travis, H. Parker, J. W. Moon, Mrs. Barnhart, Mrs. DeYoung, Mrs. Rogers, Mrs. Huddeston, Mrs. Brewer, Mrs. Jepson, Mrs. Tillotson, Mrs. Howell, Mrs. Vallicott, Mrs. Peterson, Mrs. Galbraith, Mrs. Culbert, Mrs. Shepherd, Mrs. Moon, Mrs. Slater, Miss Brasted, \$1 each; Eddie Moon, Allie Thompson, Mrs. Cheesemon, Mrs. Straight, Mrs. Penron, Mrs. Bigsby. Mrs. Dawson, Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. McMichael, Mrs Marshall, Mrs. Robson, Mrs. Hitchcock, Miss J. Barnhart, Lelia Parker, Louie Cassidy, Florence Harrils, Bertha Harrils, Bertha Watson, Gula Tilotson, Mrs. Crosby, Miss Kempf, Miss Watson, Miss Travis, Mrs. Polhemns, 50 cents each; less sums, \$4; total, \$107.00.

Cedar Springs—J. A. Sprague, pastor. From Church, \$40; from Sabbath School, \$10; total, \$50.

Coopersville—C. H. Howe, pastor. Collected by Miss Mary Averill: C. H. Howe, \$2; Mrs. E. C. Howe, \$1; Frank Howe, Anna Howe, Charlie Howe, Jenny Howe, P. D. McNaughton, S. Jackson, 50 cents each; Harriet McNaughton, Belle McNaughton, Mary Averill, Barbary Zimmerman, Clara Averill, Jane McNaughton, Mrs. Squires, 25 cents each; Elizabeth McEwing, 15 cents; from others, \$2.20; total, \$10.10. Applied to constitute Walter McEwing a member of the Conference Missionary Society.

Lamont—N. D. Marsh, pastor. \$20; to constitute Miss Anna Ellis and Miss Lettie M. Wells life members of the Conference Missionary Society.

Cannon—Geo. L. Cole, pastor. Collected by Miss Jessie Cole, \$5; collected by Sarah Addis, \$31; collected by Elnora Eaton, \$34; collected from Cannonsburg class, \$10; total \$80.00.

NILES DISTRICT.

Silver Creek-E. A. Whitwam, pastor. Anna B. Nowlin, collector. D. R. Mott, Maria Mott, Stephen Mott, Mary Mott, Edith Mott, Hannah Nowlin, Nimrod Moncey, Frank Hungerford, Anna Nowlin, Levi Nowlin, Jerome Palmer, John Blauvelt, each 25 cents; E. A. Whitwam, \$2; M. J. Kirkwood, Allen Pitcher, S. A. Pitcher, Lydia Pitcher, E. R. Spencer, each 50 cents; Joseph Spencer, \$1; Hiram Nowlin, \$1; W. D. Young, Miles Palmer, Alice Holloway, each 10 cents. Helen Cusling collector: Webster Benner, Eliza Carey, Mrs. E. A. Whitwam, Wm. Linsemeyer, Nancy Rouse, A. Moon, Mrs. H. Garnett, each 50 cents; Chas. Linkham, John Smith, D. Curtis, each 25 cents; Geo. Weller, M. Corey, Mrs. G. Conklin, each \$1; S. Weller, L. Corey, Wm. Conkling, C. Dill, each 50 cents; F. Collins, E. Linsemeyer, F. Smith, Mrs. C. Dill, D. Eastman, each 25 cents; Hugh Garrett, 75 cents; Gilbert Conkling, \$1. Kate Fry, collector: Wm. M. Frost, Mary J. Frost, each \$1; Alice Bedford, Libbie Frost, John L. Burk, John Frost, C. W. Corey, Alice Conkling, Jonas Rouse, Edith Bedford, E. B. Curtis, George Fry, Mrs. C. W. Corey, Linda Conkling, Laura Fry, Carrie Frost, each 50 cents; May Harris, Kate Fry, Henry Hait, each 25 cents; Lena Smith, 10 cents. Belle Tibbs, collector: J. F. Haskins, \$2; Helen Clark, John Clark, W. H. Cassiday, O. Boughton, T. Clark, M. Jennings, each \$1; W. S. Farmer, \$5; S. C. Reams, M. W. Jennings, 50 cents each; Levi Harris, 25 cents.

Mattawan—J. N. Dayton, pastor. Miss Eva M. Deal and Mrs. Hannah Failing, Collectors—From James N. Dayton, \$2; Mrs. Hannah Failing, \$2; Mrs. Eva Dayton, Λ. Deal, P. E. Deal, \$1 each; Mattie E. Deal, Eva M. Deal, Fannie Deal, Eliza B. Deal, H. B. Parmalee, Deroy Hill, E. B. Wing, A. Woodruff, John A. Poorman, Mercy Gates, 59 cents each; other contributions, \$8; total, \$20.00.

Paw Paw—G. S. Barnes, Pastor. G. S. Barnes, Thomas Adriance, Mrs. T. Hendrick, each \$5; Miss M. Vickery, \$2; James Bale, S. H. Blackman, each \$2; Mrs. A. J. Sortore, R. J. Rogers, Mrs. J. A. Nowlan, E. P. Hathaway, E. G. Butler, N. Douglas, Jos E. Abrams, S. Qua, each \$1; G. S. Baker, 95 cents; Mr. Bulbo, Mrs. Sesson, Mrs. C. M. Odel, Mrs. C. M. Hathaway, Mrs. S. Hawkins, Ira H. Johnson, Lewis Lomoard, Miss H. M. Sortore, Mrs. H. F. Wilcox, John Wol, Rev. Mrs. Julia Walker, each 50 cents; Mrs. S. A. Bliss, Mrs. C. W. Ketcham, A. J. Hanise, H. H. Hurlbut, Carrie Walker, Samuel Walker, Mrs. M. O. Niles, H. B. Wilson, Mattie Blackman, Mary Blackman, Mis. Jane Hutching, Mrs. Johnson, Miss H. Wood, Mrs. E. C. Hurlbut, each 25 cents.

Edwardsburg--F. I. Bell, pastor. Collected by Miss Effic Weaver and

Miss Mattie Bishop, \$41.81. By Misses Mary F. Beardsley, Addie Smith and Lillian Backus, \$23.59; total, 65.40. Appropriated to constitute Miss Effle Weaver member of the Parent Missionary Society, and Misses Mattie Bishop, Mary Florence Beardsley, Addie Smith and Lillian Backus, members of the Conference Missionary Society.

Bridgeman—J. R. Skinner, pastor. From Church, \$11.75; from Wm. Webster, \$40; to constitute J. R. Skinner and T. T. George life members of the Parent Society.

Lawrence—N. M. Steele, pastor \$10, to constitute Miss Hattie Phelps a life member of the Conference Society.

Pokagon—T. T. George, pastor. Collections, \$60; of which Henry White and family paid \$10; J. Stafford, \$5; Chas. Stafford, \$5; David White, Wm. Coulter, John Kormann, \$2; Samuel Andrus, \$1.50; Mary White, Minerva White, E. White, Margaret White, Mrs. Coulter, Ann E. White, Wm. L. Emmons, A. J. Cuddeback, C. B. Groat, Samuel Van Vher, Elizabeth Nye, S. H. Norton, Jacob White, \$1 each; T. T. George, \$2; Sophie George, Zenos W. George. Mell Anna George, Bessie Loella George, each \$1; and the rest in smaller sums; constituting Miss Ida Stafford and Miss Mary E. Stafford life members of the Conference Missionary Society, and Miss Mary A. Rhodes a lite member of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Keeler—J. White, pastor. Collected by J. White, as follows: A. A. Olds, Harriet Olds, W. L. Harris, Margaret Haney, Ira Foster. J. White, Isaac Cox, Mrs. A. E. White, \$1 each; Mrs. S. Buck, May Branch, 50 cents each; and smaller sums to the amount of \$23.00.

Lawton—S. C. Woodard, pastor. \$30, to constitute Matilda R. Van Riper, Annie Fradenburgh and Libbie M. Woodward life members of the Conference Society.

New Buffalo—G. W. Gosling, pastor. New Buffalo Class—Nellie Rateliff, collector: G. W. Gosling, \$2; Marian Weed and Carrie Weed, each 50 cents; L. E. Ratcliff, Dr. M. M. Clark, Mrs. M. Clark, C. Quantrell and G. R. Weed, each 25; Mrs. H. P. Nourse, 15 cents; Mrs. E. M. Gosling, 27; total, \$5.27. Three Oaks Class-Miss Retta Levey and Miss Olive Burkart, collectors: E. McGee, Dr. J. T. Salter, each \$1; I. W. Martin and J. R. Hill, each 50 cents; White & Son, J. Chatterson, W. K. Whitehead and E. H. Vincent, each 25 cents; A. D. Cheney, 30 cents; Dr. J. L. Hicks, J. Rynearson, Miss Olive Burkart, each 10 cents; total, \$4.60. Wilkinson Class-Mrs. Elizabeth Kitchell, collector: Mr. Sanborn, \$1; Mrs. Foster, Mr. Thursby, 50 cents each; Mr. Scholes, Mrs. Scholes, Mrs. M. A. Wilkinson, each 25 cents; A. B. Clark, Mrs. A. B. Clark, Mrs. Miller, Helen Wilkinson, 5 cents each; Mrs. Kitchell, 6 cents; Sabbath School, 54 cents; total from Wilkinson Class, \$3.55. Oxford Class-Mrs. M. Davis, collector: Names not reported; total collected, \$2.26. Beech Grove Class-Public collection, 32 cents. Total from New Buffalo Circuit, \$16.00.

Decatur—J. W. H. Carlisle, pastor. From Decatur, \$30. East Deca-

tur—Collected by Rosa Kirtland, \$2.25. Prospect Lake—Collected by J W. H. Carlisle, \$8. Grand total from Decatur charge, \$40.25.

GRAND TRAVERSE DISTRICT.

Monroe Center and Sherman Charge—G. S. Hicks, pastor. Collectors—Estelle Dolph, 90 cents; Sarah Avery, \$1.35; Cora Horton, \$1.50; Maggie Earl, \$5.10. Contributors—Thos. Cayton, \$2; J. L. Bennett, 50 cents; Mary Beebe, 25 cents; Eliza Earl, 20 cents; J. S. Paddock and wife, 40 cents; John Ramsey and wife, 50 cents; Christie Smith, Albert Bennett, Wm. Crippon, Philo Lammon, 25 cents each; G. S. Hicks and family, \$3.15.

COLDWATER DISTRICT.

Colkwater—J. I. Buel, pastor. \$75.00, to constitute R. C. Fielder, Mrs. Mary E. Fielder and Miss Alice A. Waterman life members of the Parent Society.

Union City—M. I. Smith, pastor. Collected by Flora Wescott, \$11.75; collected by Mrs. H. Risden, \$1.75; collected by Mrs. Verna Thayer, \$5.17; collected by Rillia Hubbard, \$1.95; collected by Lida E. Nesbit, \$10.18; collected by Lena Wright, \$4.50; to constitute Verna Thayer, Lida E. Nesbit and Flora Wescott life members of the Conference Society.

North Adams—W. M. Colby pastor. From Sunday School, \$10; from Women's Foreign Missionary Society, \$42. \$70 collected by and to life members of the Conference Missionary Society. Miss Edith Haight, Miss Anna Wright, Miss Florence Dake, Miss Eva Daniels, Mrs. Mary McGee and Mrs. Ella McIntyre.

Burlington—Geo. Donaldson, pastor. John P. Fox, H. P. Jones, Catherine McWithey, W. S. Barton, Adam Andre, \$1 each; Eben Barton, Jas. Lewis, 50 cents each; Robert Lewis, Adra H. Lewis, Mrs. R. Lewis, Elisha Engle, Mrs. Bates, C. W. Carrick, Cicero Haydon, Joseph Gleason, Mrs. Andre, Edward Perrott, 25 cents each; Sunday School, 57 cents; Mrs. L. Page, 25 cents; collected by Miss. McWithey, 50 cents; total, \$9.82.

BIG RAPIDS DISTRICT.

Pentwater—W. I. Cogs'hall, Pastor. Collected from the Church, \$5; collected by the Young Ladies' Missionary Society, Miss Ida Whittington, President, \$3.

Morley—N. Saunders, pastor. Collectors: Jennie A. Brockway, \$4.27; Nellie Pemberton, \$5.50; Jennie Snider, \$8.25; Katie J. Haist, \$3; total, \$21.00.

Fremont Centre—George L. Mount, pastor. James Carson, \$2; Wm. Edmonds and A. E. Upton, each \$1; E. Holmes, Wm. Harwood, Mrs.

Wm. Harwood, Mrs. J. H. Davis, M. B. Franklin, G. L. Mount, G. F. Cole, Mrs. G. F. Cole, each 59 cents; George Harwood, Alice Murphy, C. Addison, Miss, Clark, Deforest Tibets, Mrs. E. Loyd, Mrs. Hopper, Mrs. Boon, Mrs. Mulder, Mrs. A. O. Hoyt, Mrs. Brock, Mary A Davis, Mrs. G. Metaggail, Frank Boon, Mrs. Mulder, Mrs. Butlar, A. Haviland, M. Holmes, Eugene Fortune, Mary Edmonds, John Rutherford, Mrs. L. Cook, Mrs. Pierson, Mrs. J. McHutt, each 25 cents; collection, \$2.75; total, \$16.50.

LANSING DISTRICT.

Lansing—First Church; G. C. Draper, pastor. Wm. S. Calkins, \$9; P. B. Narmore and family, \$5; D. D. Hall, \$5; S. G. Scofield, \$3; Mrs. E. E. Pratt, \$2; E. Parmelee, S. Hulbert, J. B. Lawrence, Samuel Worden, J. R. Williams, A. Ballard, each \$1; Mrs. Bronson, E. A. Tillotson, Wm. Smith, Mrs. Lovejoy, H. Baumgrass, Amelia Readhead, Elizabeth Ashworth, J. B. Cole, each 50 cents; collection, \$1.50; total, \$41.

Mason—Wm. Reily, pastor. Collected by Miss Grace Darling, Marv Holstead, Sada Bowdish and Sue Strond, \$21; by Miss Dora Phelps, \$8; by Clarence Seffingwell, George Webb, Miss Hattie C. Smith and Maud A. Holly, \$25; applied to constitute Miss Maud A. Holly and Hattie C. Smith members of the Michigan Conference Missionary Society.

Pottersville—M. W. Knapp, pastor. Collectors: Sarah Paine, \$16.45: Allie Avery, \$3.55; Nancy Willis, \$4.50; G. Ellis, \$10.25; Emily Nichols, \$3.25; total, \$38.

Bath—B. W. Smith, pastor. Dan Blood, I. S. Swarthout, Mary Swarthout, J. V. Swarthout, Ralf Swarthout, George Hibbard, Hugh Swarthout, Wm. Swarthout, B. W. Smith, J. P. Sleight, Sam Smith, each \$1; Susan Blood, Edson Swarthout, Nora Swarthout, Minnie Swarthout, Emma Swarthout, Mrs. Bigbee, Catherine Swarthout, Bettie Blood, Chas. Blood, Ann Hibbard, Wm. Briggs, James Briggs, Earnest Briggs, D. Hagget, Sarah Swarthout, Jennie Montague, E. B. Verheis, Marion Smith, Abbey Smith, Elizabeth Bateman, Wm. Pults, S. B. Roby, Edith D. Roby, John B. Hewitt, Mr. Mott and wife, Carrie Chapman, Sarah S. Smith, M. A. Smith, J. Evans, D. Benson, A. W. Johnson, E. Clise, Wm. Richardson, Jennie Sleight, Minna Sleight, Mrs. Austin, Mrs. Henderson, Sarah A. Smith, Mrs. Deyer, I. J. Woodman, each 50 cents; Carrie Blood, Lucy Blood, Mrs. Briggs, 25 cents each; G. W. Swartout, \$1; collections, \$9.20; Sunday School, \$3.15; total, \$18.15.

Fowler—J S. Harder, pastor. Collected by Miss Ida Boss, \$5; Ida Hayes, \$5; Lucy Corkin, \$10.30; Ida Lyon, \$3; Lizzie Van Dyne, \$3; collections, \$22.

Dewitt—J. Gulick, pastor. Collections, \$40; to constitute Misses Helen Moore, Anna Dell Crane, Mary McWethey and Flora Granger members of the Conference Missionary Society.

Vermontville—W. J. Swift, pastor. W. R. Hammond, J. D. Wright, S. P. Loomis, Susan Loomis, Geo. Swick, I. C. Norton, Sarah Norton, W. J. Swift, A. E. Cunningham, M. Saunders, L. C. Sprague, Hilton Bradley, E. Tyler, J. V. Stevens, S. W. Grinnell, Rachel Welch, C. W. Hannond, D. J. Loomis, Wm. Sackett, W. C. Mears, each \$1; A. S. Downs, H. M. Downs, A. Ragar, Hellen Hunter, M. A. Wright, A. Downing, J. Hunter, J. Fuller, J. A. Grant, Wm. Fuller, J. Garringer, Mrs. L. C. Sprague, Mrs. W. J. Swift, L. Rouse, S. Stokes, J. W. Myers, F. Myers, R. M. Knapp, M. Brooks, A. Clark, S. R. Nagle, J. Pierce, John Gilson, H. M. Fields, Robert Willis, each 50 cents; 18 persons pand 25 cents each; hat collection, \$6; total \$43; to constitute Hulda A. Loomis and Alice L. Swift life members of the Conference Missionary Society.

Leslie—N. L. Brockway, pastor. A. Dubois, \$2; H. Trove, C. L. Chapin, R. H. Davis, G. Dubois, J. Dubois, C. N. Flansburg, T. Redman, each \$1; H. Trove, O. F. Pierce, S. E. Brockway, N. L. Brockway, Fanny Brockway, W. B. Brockway, A. H. Brockway, J. A. Collins, J. E. Collins, C. Ketchan, M. A. Jones, D. W. Robinson, J. C. Freeland, Olive Falloway, Lowell Dubois, M. Woodland, each 50 cents; J. S. Wilson, H. H. Small, L. H. Carter, M. Horace, H. L. Collins, C. W. Merrill, C. Woodland, S. Freeland, S.Wing, W. J. Potter, Wm. Falloway, C. Flansberg and L. C. Dubois, each 25 cents; George Rice, D. C. Potter, J. L. Clark and E. C. Dubois, Lucy Dubois, 50 cents each; S. A. Dubois, \$1; Miss N. Potter, 20 cents; collections, \$2; Missionary Societies, \$7.50 and \$23.86.

Onondaga-A. T. Gray, pastor. A. Stringham, Mrs. A. Stringham and Mrs. A. Sanford, each \$1; Mrs. E. Haines, 50 cents; J. Russel, S. Washburn, A. Horseman, Nettie Gray, Mrs. Kitchen, Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Pedrick, Wm. Washburn, 25 cents each; A. T. Gray, H. C. Norton, A. Topliff, Mrs. L. Walton, J. H. Robbins, C. A. Pugsley, \$1 each; Mrs. M. J. Buckingham, M & garet Stringham, M. A. Stringham, H. Hodges, C. Simpson, Mrs. C. Simpson, D. Rodgers, C. Fowler, Rachel Norton, 50 cents each; Ann Phelps, C. Meacham, Mrs. Hodges, each 25 cts; Idella Walton, 20 cents; Chas Walton, B. Topliff, E. Topliff, 10 cts. each; S. S., \$1.83; John Smith, \$2.05; Henry Town, Mrs. E. Gray, L. H. Berry, Hiram Gibbs, \$1 each; Fannie M. Trefey, Elwin Gale, Mrs. L. H. Berry, Wilbur Conklin, T. D. Lane, 50 cents each; E. Munro, Jennie Conklin, S. I. Lane, 25 cents each; Mrs. H. Gibbs, 18 cents; Sabbath School, \$2.12; not specified, 66 cents; Mrs. A. Topliff, \$1; C. H. Buckingham, 50 cents; total for Onondaga Circuit, \$32.84. Edith Halsey, Idella Walton and Ruana M. Sanford to be life members of the Conference Missionary Society.

Duplain Charge—C. A. Jacokes, pastor. Life members of Conference Missionary Society: Mary J. Burnett, \$14; Susie G. Ormston, Minnie L. Butler, Nora E. Miller, Ella S. Clark, Anna M. Curtis, \$10 each. Sunday School Missionary: Frances S. Dunn, \$3; Herbert J. McEwen, \$3.

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Greenville Charge—J. W. Reid, pastor. \$100 collected by the pastor, to constitute the following named persons life members of the Conference Society: Joseph Ottmar, H. G. Bacon, H. P. Conklin, Susan Rich, Harriet Rich, Carrie Maxted, Caleb Griffith, Dwight Devendorf, Youngs Evans, Jennie M. Rosevelt.

Woodland—James Roberts, Pastor. Total contributions, \$50.00, to constitute Mrs. Minnie Johnson, Miss Adah Forman, Miss Cora Cooper, Miss Hattie Young and Miss Ada Odell, life members of the Michigan Conference Missionary Society.

Greenville Circuit—J. W. Hallenbeck, Pastor. Co'lectors, Miss Chloie M. Story, \$10.75; Miss Isabelle Bishop, \$10.35; Miss Mary Peterson, \$6.75; Miss Jennie Smith, \$3.30; Collection. \$2.85; Total, \$34.00. Misses. Chloie M. Story and Isabelle Bishop are constituted members of the Conference Missionary Society.

Orange Circuit-A. J. Wheeler, Pastor. Collectors, Mary Shelton, Olive West, Nellie Simmons, Miss Greenman, Miss Gulliver: Wm. Hinds, \$4.00; Wm. West, Viena West, N. Tuttle, E. Tuttle, A. J. Wheeler, T. Rinehart, E. Rinehart, Wm. Adgate, N. S. Tuttle, A. Tuttle, L. LeValley, J. Marsh, A. Townsend, Mrs. Townsend, J. H. Klotz, O. M. Smith, A. F. Klotz, H. Kemp, C. S. Winn, \$1.00 each; Dora McNeil, Mrs. Wolverton, Sarah Shelton, Wm. T. Hines, Mrs. E. Gates, D. A. Wheeler, Sarah Little, Violette Little, Nelson Simmons, Louis Tuttle, A. Vanduzen, John Hinds, Fred Simmons, Lewis Ferguson, Frank Adgate, E. West, Cristy West, Mary Ferguson, Sophia Ferguson, Otis Ferguson, Julia West, Sarah Adgate, S. Townsend, Mary A. Reed, I. M. Wolverton, H. White, W. Carbough, E. Gates, D. A. Hall, Mrs. J. A. White, Mrs. A. K. Hall, H. D. Bartlett, L. W. Ritenberg, H. J. Coleman, Mrs. M. Zacharias, Mrs. A. Williams, W. G. Miener, S. C. Greenman, W. Burroughs, E. C. Rounds, J. H. Groom, B. F. Cartis, T. Gulliver, T. Noddins, B. A. Noddins, E. L. Gulliver, E. M. Scissim, A. L. Lowry, L. Marsh, S. Hicking, J. C. Wiser, each 50 cents; Mary Ritenberg, 40 cents; Cash, 30 cents; A. R. Barnard, 27 cents; J. Sherwood, C. Sherwood, M. A. Wiser, C. Scissem J.J.C. Scissem, Mrs. Stamord, Mrs. S. Gorham, L. Gorham, M. Gorham, S. Stocum, H. Gorham, J. Gorham, L. Greenman, R. Williams, Mrs. W. G. Miner, Mrs. Reese, L. Adgate, P. Young, Mrs. Galloway, H. Benedict, S. Benedict, M. Benedict, Wm. Strickland, L. Dazzel, D. Shelton, Frank Ames, each 25 cents; S. Patrick 15 cents; E. Eldridge, H. Eldridge, Grandma Kingston, M. Budder, Nina McNeil, Mrs. Sheffold, O. A. Gulliver, M. E. Gulliver, S. Noddin, E. Noddin, each 10 cents; M. E. Gulliver, H. H. Gulliver, Mrs. Adgate, George Reese, each 5 cents; cash, 18 cents; total amount from the church, \$57.50; Le Valley Sabbath School Missionary Society, \$10.00; Hall Church S. S. Mission Society, \$5.50. Total Missionary money, \$73.00.

Vergennes—L. Bathrick, pastor. Mary L. Miller, \$20; Jemima Thompson, \$10; Mattie Collar, \$10; Myrtie Moon, \$10; Ivy Dutt, \$10; all are constituted members of the Conference Missionary Society.

Bowne—D. W. Parsons, pastor. Collectors: Mrs. A. J. Pressley, J. Cobb and M. Whitney; total collections, \$41.35. Mrs. A. J. Pressley is made a life member of the Parent Society.

Coral—G. A. Buell, pastor. Amount \$20; Misses Mary Freeman and Maggie Gibson, collectors, are made members of the Conference Missionary Society.

Orleans Charge—N. Bray, pastor. Collectors: Miss Amelia Allen, \$1.91; Miss Mary E. Morton, \$3.20; Master Willie Hurd, \$3.12; Miss May Emory, \$3.10; Miss Bertha Cotton, \$1.75; Miss Flora Freeman, \$3; Master W. M. Kidd, \$2.50; Miss Nellie Bray, \$1.35; Miss Hellen Stockholm, \$1.85; Miss Cynthia Spencer, \$3.25; Miss Ella King, 75 cents; Miss Clara Howe, \$4.40; Miss Cora Post, \$4.75; Miss Katte Chadwick, Miss Effic Edmonds, \$1.44; Master Walter Murray, 77; collection, \$19.70; total, \$60.

Carson City Circuit—S. Kitzmiller, pastor. The following are constituted life members of the Conference Missionary Society: Miss Sophia Broesamle, Mrs. H. A. Willard, Mrs. Olive Fowler, Miss E. E. Gordon, Miss Ella Brice.

ANNIVERSARIES, SERMONS AND LECTURES.

MICHIGAN CONFERENCE EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY.

The Michigan Conference Educational Society held its annual meeting at the M. E. Church, Thursday, Sept. 5, at 4 P. M., T. F. Hildreth in the chair, L. Masters appointed Secretary, pro tem.

After some miscellaneous business, the following were elected the officers of the Society for the coming year, viz.:

President, T. F. Hildreth; Vice-President, G. D. Lee; Secretary, L. Master; Treasurer, W. H. Brockway; Managers, I. Cogshall, N. Fassett, H. F. Spencer, D. D. Gillet R. C. Crawford.

CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY ANNIVERSARY.

The anniversary of the Church Extension Society was held at the M. E. Church, Sept. 6th, 1878, W. J. Aldrich, President, in the chair.

Singing by the choir. L. M. Edmonds offered prayer.

L. R. Atwater, Treasurer, made his annual report, after which C. C. McCabe, Assistant Corresponding Secretary, made a thrilling address, and was followed by Rev. H. Skewes, of Ogden. Utah, presenting the claims of the M. E. Church in that city. A liberal collection was lifted for him. Singing by Chaplain McCabe. Benediction by H. M. Joy.

FREEDMEN'S AID SOCIETY ANNIVERSARY.

The anniversary of the Freedmen's Aid Society was held in the M. E. Church, Sunday, September 7th, 1878. Singing by the choir. Rev. S. P. Warner offered prayer.

Dr. C. C. McCabe made a short address and was followed by J. C. Hartzell, D. D., of New Orleans, who gave a clear and instruct-

ive account of the state of the Society in the South. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, of New York, with Chaplain McCabe, delighted the audience with their beautiful songs. Benediction pronounced by S. Steele.

ANNIVERSARY OF WOMEN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The anniversary of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society was held at the M. E. Church, on Thursday, Sept. 5th, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., Mrs. M. T. Lathrop, of Jackson, presiding.

Arthur Edwards, D. D., of Chicago, conducted the religious devotions. Bishop J. T. Peck made a short address on the "Place and Power of Woman in the Missionary Work." Mrs. Lathrop read a letter from Rev. Leander Pilcher, from North China, giving an account of the distress occasioned by famine and fever. J. M. Reid, D. D., Missionary Secretary of New York, offered a special prayer for those suffering ones, after which short addresses were made by Mrs. Dr. Krou, of Three Rivers, and Mrs. M. T. Lathrop, of Jackson.

LECTURES.

F. D. Hemenway, D. D., of Evanston, Illinois, gave instructive lectures, at 8 A. M., on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, at the Presbyterian Church, on "Christian Hymns," "Our Hymnal," and "The Duty of the Minister to his Successor.

SERMONS.

- A. E. Ketchum preached at the M. E. Church, on Tuesday, Septomber 3d, at $7\frac{1}{2}$ P. M., fron Josh., 23d chapter, 11th verse: "Take good heed therefore unto yourselves," &c. Subject: "Fidelity to Truth."
- I. R. A. Wightman on Wednesday, September 4th, at 7½ P. M., from Heb., 7th chapter, 25th verse: "Wherefore He is able to save them to the uttermost," &c. Subject: "The Extent of the Atoning Sacrifice of Jesus."
- T. F. Hildreth preached the Annual Missionary Sermon at the M. E. Church, on Thursday, at 3 o'clock P. M., from Gen., 1st chapter, 11th verse, Subject: "The Divine Plan of Reproduction."

CHURCH EXTENSION TREASURER'S REPORT.

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| Stanton | B. S. Mills | 10 00 | 1 20 |
| Vergennes | L. Bathrick | 14 00 | 4 00 |
| Hubbardston | H. D. Jordan | 12 00 | 2 00 |
| Palo | M. D. Carrell | 12 00 | 5 00 |
| Orange | A. J. Wheeler | 14 00 | 12 25 |
| Danby | C. F. VanAuken | 11 00 | 5 00 |
| Sheridan | D. C. Riehl | 6 00 | 2 00 |
| Lakeview | C. T. VanAntwerp | 6 00 | |
| Elm Hall | H. R. Hawley | 6 00 | 00.00 |
| Greenville | | 22 00 | 22 00 |
| Portland | | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 22 00 1 00 |
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| | J. Roberts | 15 00 | 6 00 |
| | N. Bray | 12 00 | 8 00 |
| Lyons | | 6 00 | 2 00 |
| Carson City | | 10 00 | 4 50 |
| Pewamo and Muir | | 8 00 | |
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| Division Street | | \$ 25 00 | |
| Second Street | D. Engle | 15 00 | 1 50 |
| City Mission | A. D. Newton | 5 00 | 2 70 |
| Sparta | D. R. Latham | 10 00 | 1 00 |
| | J. A. Barnes | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 6 00 |
| | J. J. McAllister | 8 00 | 3 (9) |
| Lamont | N. D. Marsh | 8 00 | 2 00 |
| Holland | W. M. Coplin | 5 00 | 50 |
| Byron Centre. | E V. Armstrong | 10 00 | 5 00 |
| Moline | T. Clark | 1 00 | |
| | E. Wigle | 10 00 | 10 00 |
| | James Riley | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| | T. J. Spencer | 20 00 | |
| | G. L. Cole. | 12 00 | 5 00 |
| | J. A. Sprague | 15 00 | 3 00 |
| | W. Gardner | 15 00 | 15 00 |
| | T. Cleghorne | 10 00 | 1 00 |
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| Big Rapids | A. R. Boggs | \$ 3 00 | \$ 10 00 |
| Morley | N. Saunders | 2 00 | 2 00 |
| Howard City | E. S. Holm | 1 50 | 2 00 |
| Pierson | A. C. Beach | 2 00 | 2 00 |
| Fremont | G. L. Mount | 2 00 | 3 00 |
| Twin Lake | | 1 00 | 9 |
| Hesperia | J. C. Floyd | 2 00 | 3 00 |
| Whitehall | L. W. Earl | $\frac{2}{5} \frac{00}{00}$ | 1 77 |
| Benona | H. N. Hall. | 1 00 | |
| Shelby | L. J. Griffin | 1 00 | 1 00 |
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| Pentwater | W. I. Cogshall | 1 00 | 1 00 |
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| | J. A. Van Fleet | 1 00 | 1 00 |
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| Sauble River | | 1 00 | |
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| Evart | W. Barrett | [-2.50] | 3 00 |
| Clare | J. McKinley | 1 00 | 2 00 |
| | W. H. Ware | 3 00 | 1 00 |
| Chippewa | | 1 00 | |
| Manistee | D. D. Gillet | 2 00 | 2 00 |
| | | | |
| | | \$ 38 00 | \$ 36 77 |
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| LANSING DISTRICT. | F. B. Bangs, P. E | | |
| Central Church | L. H. Pearce | \$ 20 00 | \$ 20 00 |
| First Church | G. C. Draper | 9 00 | 6 25 |
| Potterville | M. Knapp | 12°_{-00} | 3 00 |
| Charlotte | G. W. Sherman | 18 00 | 5 50 |
| Charlotte | W. J. Swift | | 2 00 |
| Vermontville | | 15 00 | ~ 00 |
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| Eaton Rapids | W. Doust | 16 00 | 11 48 |
| Onoridaga | A. T. Gray | 6 00 | 2 02 |
| Mason | W. Riley | 17 00 | 11 23 |
| Grand Ledge | B. S. Pratt | 17 00 | |
| Ovid | S. P. Warner | 9 00 | 8 50 |
| Fowler | J. S. Harder | 7 00 | 2 00 |
| Duplain | C. A. Jacokes | 13 00 | 3 00 |
| St. Louis | S. L. Hamilton | 8 00 | 7 00 |
| Alma | S. Snyder | 8 00 | |
| Leslie | N. L. Brockway | 11 00 | 2 35 |
| Okemos | J. R. Cadwell | 10 00 | 2 50 |
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| St. Johns | | 11 00 | 10 00 |
| Maple Rapids | F. J. Freeman | 12 00 | 3 00 |
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| GRAND TRAVERSE DISTRICT | A. P. Moors, P. E | | | |
| Traverse City | M. M. Callen | | \$ 4 | -00 |
| Frankfort | J. W. Springstein | 1 50 | 2 | 50 |
| Bear Lake | S. Steele | 1 50 | 1 | 50 |
| Elk Rapids | W. R. Stinchcomb | 3 50 | | |
| North Port | J. A. Bready | 1 50 | 1 | 50 |
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| Charlevoix | B. H. Whitman | 3 00 | | |
| Monroe | G. S. Hicks | 3 50 | 3 | 50 |
| Little Traverse | J. M. Whitney | 50 | | 50 |
| Boyne Falls | | 50 | | 50 |
| Chebovgan River | | | | 50 |
| Spencer Creek | | | | 75 |
| Mancelona | J. Greensted | 75 | 1 | 00 |
| Alunsee | | | 1 | 25 |
| Gaylord | | 50 | | 50 |
| Cadillac Circuit | | 75 | | 15 |
| South Arm | | 50 | | 50 |
| Petoskey | W. L. Tilden | 1 50 | 1 | 50 |
| Cheboygan | | 1 75 | | |
| Cadillac | L. Dodds | 3 00 | 1 | 50 |
| Manton | | 50 | | 50 |
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| Ashton | | 1 25 | 1 | 25 |
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| L. | | \$ 34 75 | \$ 26 | 25 |

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Mathews, R., Centreville. Monroe, C. R., Colon. Merihew, J. W., St. John. McEwin, A., St. John. McKinley, J. F., Howard City.

Penland, Wm., Royalton. Peters, Wm., Byron Centre.

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MICHIGAN ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

FROM ITS ORGANIZATION TO THE PRESENT TIME.

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| Sept. 7, 1836 | Mansfield, Ohio | J. Soule | H. O. Sheldon |
| Sept. 6, 1837 | Detroit, Mich | R. R. Roberts | Edward Thomson |
| Sept. 5, 1838 | Tiffin, Ohio | Beverley Waugh. | Edward Thomson |
| Sept. 4, 1839 | Ann Arbor, Mich | J. Soule | Edward Thomson |
| Aug. 19, 1840 | Marshall, Mich | E. Hedding | H. Colclazer |
| Sept. 15, 1841. | White Pigeon, Mich. | R. R. Roberts | H. Colclazer |
| Aug. 17, 1842. | Adrian, Mich | T. A. Morris | H Colclazer |
| Aug. 16, 1843. | Ann Arbor, Mich | | |
| Oct. 2, 1844 | Coldwater, Mich | L. L. Hamlin | H. Colclazer |
| Sept. 10, 1845. | Detroit, Mich | E. S. Janes | H. Colclazer |
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| Sept. 15, 1847. | Marshall, Mich Ypsilanti, Mich | T. A. Morris | E. H. Pilcher |
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| Sept. 5, 1849 | Adrian, Mich | L. L. Hamlin | E. H. Pilcher |
| Sept. 4, 1850 | Albion, Mich | T. A. Morris | E. H. Pilcher |
| Sept. 3, 1851 | Monroe. Mich | T. A. Morris | E. H. Pilcher |
| Sept. 15, 1852. | Niles, Mich | Levi Scott | E. H. Pilcher |
| Sept. 14, 1853. | Detroit, Mich | Beverley Waugh. | E. H. Pilcher |
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| Sept. 14, 1859. | Marshall, Mich | E. S. Janes | R. C. Crawford |
| Sept. 27, 1860. | Ionia, Mich | M. Simpson | T. H. Sinex |
| Oct. 2, 1861 | Battle Creek, Mich Grand Rapids, Mich. | E. R. Ames | T. H. Sinex |
| Oct. 1, 1862 | Grand Rapids, Mich. | L. Scott | T. H. Sinex |
| Sept. 23, 18 63 . | Jackson, Mich | M. Simpson | T. H. Sinex |
| Sept. 28, 1864. | Niles, Mich | O. C. Baker | J. W. Robinson. |
| Sept. 13, 1865. | Albion, Mich | E. R. Ames | L. R. Fisk |
| Sept. 6, 1866 | Hillsdale, Mich | M. Simpson | A. A. Dunton |
| Sept. 11, 1867 | Lansing, Mich | D. W. Clark | M. B. Camburn |
| Sept. 3, 1868 | Three Rivers, Mich. | E. R. Ames | M. B. Camburn |
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| Sept. 13, 1871. | St. Joseph, Mich | E. S. Janes | M. B. Camburn. |
| Sept. 18, 1872. | Jackson, Mich | E. R. Ames | J. J. Buell |
| Sept. 10, 1873. | Ionia, Mich | 1. W. Wiley | J. I. Buell |
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| Sept. 9, 1877 | Grand Rapids, Mich. | S. M. Merriii | A. R. Boggs |
| Sept. 4, 1078 | Three Rivers, Mich. | J. T. Peck | A. R. Boggs |

NOTES BY THE SECRETARY.

Moving and commencing District work I have not been able to publish the "Minutes" entirely free from errors.

(1) J. Draper was granted a superannuated relation, and if the reader will be kind enough to write the name under the 9th Disciplinary Question, the list will be complete.

(2) The Presiding Elder of Big Rapids District has placed in my hands the receipts for missionary money: ppropriated to Riverton and Riverton Indian Mission, and Isabella Indian Mission, referred to in the Report of the Mission Auditing Committee on page 32.

(3) I have been unable to make out a complete list of all the dead, as requested by vote of Conference to do, and prefer not to publish any rather than to publish an imperfect list. I will prepare and publish in the papers a list as soon as possible, inviting correction, and in that way I shall hope to secure a perfect and satisfactory list of our honored dead, for publication next year.

(4) Will the brethren remember that if it is worth while to print "Detailed Missionary Matter" it is worth while to print the names of contributors correctly.

But I want to say, in all seriousness, that many of you write so illegibly that the printer and the secretary have been trying their wits at guessing, with, no doubt, in many cases, a bad miss of it.

It is simply impossible to make out proper names unless they are written plainly. If you have no time to take pains, then save what little time you do use by omitting the matter entirely. What time you save by haste you put upon the secretary and printer.

Let me suggest, also, that those who pay only 5 or 10 cents a year to the Missionary Cause scarcely deserve mention by name in the Minutes, where the cost of printing their names about equals their gifts.

Blank paper will be furnished the various Committees for Reports next year. Let duplicates be made and carefully written.

A. R. B.

STATISTICS

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